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THE GREAT CENTRAL CITY.

Our Special Envoy Arrives in St. Louis and Casts his Eagle Eyes About Him. The Progress in wealth and intelligence of the Afro-Americans Engages his Flippant Pen—Business—Personals—Lodges—Etc.

St. Louis, Mo., Special to THE FREEMAN.

We arrived in this the Queen City of the West, Tuesday morning last, (Jan. 6th) and after a weeks' observation, will present THE FREEMAN readers with a few extracts taken from our note book, on matter pertaining to the advancement and progress of our race in this city. It is the metropolis of the Mississippi Valley ; it is to this section what New York is to the Eastern states, i. e., the money center for industries of all descriptions and the vast net work of railroads that enter this common center, are continually adding to its wealth. East St. Lous is the Brooklyn of this big city. The first impression one receives of East St. Louis upon arriving there, is a city of freight cars, for there are acres and acres of them to be seen in all directions; one would almost wonder how they are ever kept account of.

St. Louis is a substantially built city, as every house, with but few exceptions, are brick or stone, for miles out in every direction, and the transit facilities for reaching the most remote sections are almost perfect. Mules, cable and electricity are the motor power, with electricity in the lead and gaining in public favor every day. One of the great advantages of the cable and electric systems is the cleanly streets. On wet days streets where the mules are used are almost impassable.

It would seem from general conversation with the colored residents of this city that the chances for race progress were rather slim, but we see many things here that demonstrates to the contrary in a very great measure, for we are convinced from one week's sojourn here that the opportunities for advancement in nearly all branches of industry are about on par with other western cities.

There are very many wealthy colored me in St. Louis and very many more that are wel to do, and the hundreds that are acquiring homes proves the old saying that if you "take care of the dimes," the dollars will take care of themselves. Very many substantial and beautiful brick houses have been erected and are occupiedb y colored people.

Among the moneyed men are numbered Mr. Dorsey, who is a very large holder of real estate, also Chas. Stark, of Elardsville, who built a saloon two years since at 711 North 11th street, costing over $20,000. It is one of the finest saloons in the city. The front opens into a recess of fifty deep, twenty-six wide by twenty feet in height, in one massive arch.

Thus far we have only had time to call on Mr. A. D. Langston, principal of Dessalfanes school, and Mr Hale G. Parker, who occupies the same position at the Dumas school. Mr. Parker is about to sever his connection with the St. Louis Public Schools, after a successful career of thirteen years in educational work. His family has removed to Chicago, whence Mr. Parker will follow shortly. Associated with Mr. Parker in his work in the Dumas school are fifteen teachers, one of whom is Mrs. Sarah W. Topp, who used to teach in Indianapolis. Mrs. Topp is possesed of very superior abilites and her work as a teacher easily places her in the front rank of that profession.

A great number of colored men are employed as janitors in the best business blocks foremost among whom are the Grant Janitoring Co., office, Roe Building, J. W. Grant, General Manager.

We have a number of colored men engaged in the government buildings, and a number of letter carriers.

We had the pleasure of an introduction to Hon. C. H. Tandy, Deputy United States Marshall for this District. Mr. Tandy is a Negro leader of great power and stands the "Douglas of the West."

Restaurants are numerous and serve excellent meals. There are many good boarding houses, foremost among whom are Mrs. Patterson's, 1319 Lucas avenue; Mrs. Neal Moore. 721 N. 12th street. In the tonsorial field the color has the best hold. The finest parlors in the city are owned and run by Messrs. Randolph and Smith at the Southern Hotel; turkish baths are connected with this establishment.

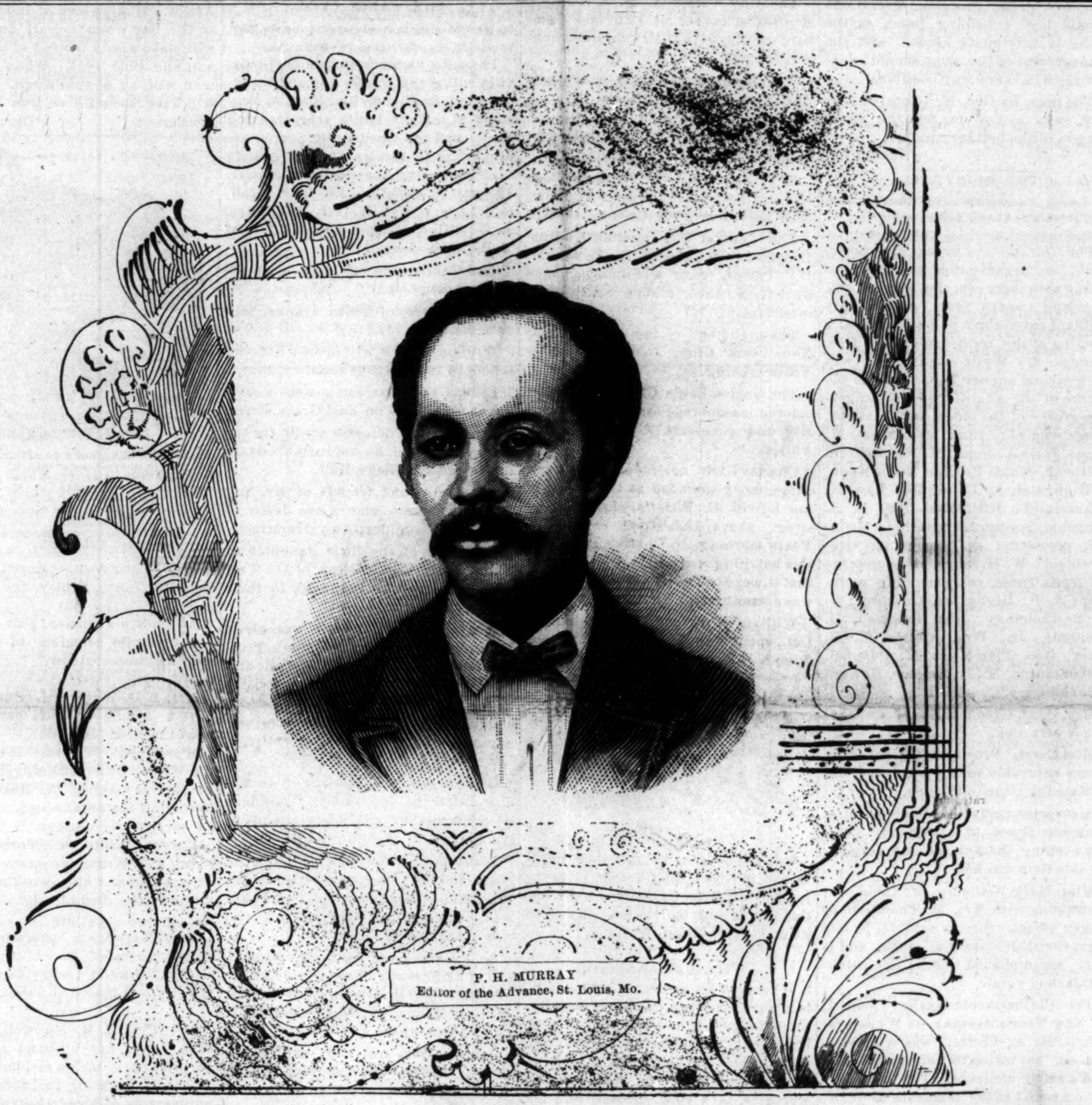
Sunday we paid a visit to the Missouri Electric Light Works, the largest in the city. This works runs about 5,000 lamps, and the dpnmos, ten in number, are run in two watches of twelve hours each, The watch lasting from noon until midnight is entirely in charge of Alvia Curtis, a colored man and to whom we are indebted for courteses shown in explaning the electric apparatus to us. Mr. Curtis is a modest and unassuming gentleman, and to converse with, one would think that he did not realize the importance of his trust, but he does and well knows the struggle that a man of color, must overcome to occupy such a responsible position. There are many other good positions that are held by colored men of which we have neither time or space to mention.

Saturday we went over the river to East St. Louis and thence by rail to Brooklyn, Ill., a town entirely controled by colored people. They have a colored Mayor, Marshall, Constables, Justice of the Peace, school principals, teachers, etc.

Our impression of St. Louis people is that they are keeping steadily in the front rank of progress and are getting their share of worldly goods. There are numerous prosperous lodges of Odd Fellows, Masons etc. The ladies are as well organized as the men and seem just as enthusiastic in their lodge work. The Odd Fellows contemplate building a new hall soon.

Among the professions followed by our men are doctors, lawyers etc.

We met the genial Mr. Murray, editor and proprietor of the Advance, the local colored newspaper. He is pleasant and entertaining and if girth and weight count for anything newspaper publishing is not a failure with him in this city.



P. H. MURRAY
Editor of the Advance, St. Louis, Mo.

OUR CITY PEOPLE.

—Rebert T. Brown is sick.

—Miss Mary T. Porter has gone to Cincinnati on a visit.

—Carry your friends to the Second Baptist Church on the 20th.

—Everybody should attend the Mock Wedding on the 20th.

—The Golden Star Concert and Mock Wedding will be a novel affair.

—Mrs. Britton has returned home after a pleasant visit in Chicago among relatives.

—J. W. Mitchell passed through the city this week, enroute from Thorntown to Richmond, Ind.

—Elaborate preparations are being made for the Golden Star Concert and Mock Wedding, on the 20th.

—Jas. S. Hinton has been appointed administrator of the estate of Malinda Massey, who died intestate.

—Remember the Golden Star Concert and Mock Wedding at the Second Baptist Church on the 20th.

—Misses Luella Maberry and Gracie Sisemore, of Marion, Ind., were the guests of Mrs. Chas. Bass, of 221 W. Vermont street, this week.

—The Second Baptist Church should be crowded to witness the Golden Star Concert, under the auspices of the Second Baptist Choir, on the 20th.

—The banquett given at the Odd Fellows' Hall, last Wednesday, was a grand success, both socially and financially. Everything was conducted very nicely, and the committee, of which Mrs N. Ward was chairman, should be highly complimented for the success.

—Mrs. Mattie Williams, the well-known lady and boarding-house keeper, has extended her business. She is now located in a three story brick, newly fitted out on Indiana avenue, Nos. 12, 14 and 16. She is better prepared than ever to entertain her many customers and the transient public.

—The trustees of the county library met Monday at 2 o'clock, and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Judge N. B. Taylor, president; Hon. J. R. Wilson, vice-president; Miss Jessie Allen, secretary and librarian; committee on books, J. H. Vajen, Jessie Avery and Hon. J. S. Hinton. No treasurer was elected. The Board passed resolutions on the life and work of the late John T. Mahorney.

WAS IT AN ACCIDENT OR MURDER?

Marion, Ind., Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. Poindexter, on going home last Tuesday evening, was horrified at finding his wife dead. She was lying on the floor near the grate, terribly burned upon each side. The neighbors and doctor were at once called, but life had flown. A close examination revealed several bruises upon the body, but whether caused by a fall or foul play, has as yet not been ascertained. At the last account the coroner had not given his decision as to the cause of her death. Mr. Poindexter had been married about two months. His wife's (formerly Miss Demsey) home was at New Castle. It seems as if they had some unknown enemies, for about two weeks ago she was called to her door late one evening and was struck a severe blow in the face by some unknown person.

JAKE.

THE FALLS CITY.

DOINGS IN AND ABOUT THE KENTUCKY METROPOLIS—PERSONAL—DANCING SCHOOL—A NEW PROPHET HAS ARISEN.

Louisville, Ky., Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Olie Thompson, of 615 East Jefferson street, gave a very pleasant entertainment to her many friends Tuesday evening the 6th, on the return of her son from Buffalo, New York, where he has been for the last six years. Among the many present were Henry Peters and others.

Mrs. Mickins, of East street is ill.

Prof. Wm. Riley will soon open a dancing school.

Boys wanted to sell THE FREEMAN call at office south-west corner 1st and Green street.

Samuel S. Steele desires to engage with some concert company asbaritone and soprano singer.

Miss L. C. Brady, who has been sick for some time, will soon return to her desk as clerk for THE FREEMAN.

P. G. Cooper, agent for THE FREEMAN has his office at 102 West Green street and at G. W. Clark's restaurant.

Moore and Caldwell's star specialists, late of Black-hawk Brothers' ministrel, are ready to receive engagements, No. 226 Grayson street.

Prof. J. R. W. Riley has a dancing class on Green street, betwen Center and 6th streets. It is composed of some of the best people of the city.

"Come thou with us and we will do you good." Rev. Alfred C. Brown, of New Haven, Conn., will hold services at the Church of our Saviour, Madison street, between 9th and 10th street; services at 7 a. m. 4 p. m. and 8 p. m.

Mardi Gras will be celebrated at Bowles' Hall by the friends and order of the K. of Tabor. There will be a handsome robe presented to the preceptor selling the largest number of tickets over 150. Daughter Jennie Vandyke, C. P., and daughter Eliza Williams, V. P. C. Miller manager.

Rev. J. F. Freemont, pastor of the 1st Baptist church, of Brandensburg, Ky., said in his discourse last Sunday night that the earth would stand for ever, and the inhabitants would stay on it for one million of years.

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A Few Items.

Carrollton, Ky., Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Rev. Powell, of Louisville, Ky., came up to preach the watch meeting sermon. He is well liked.——Prof. Smith, our worthy school teacher, has had a serious time with whooping cough in his family ever since he moved. All join in hoping them a safe recovery.——Henry Grills, of Caanan, Ind., is visiting his brother, M. V., after which he expects to go to Clay City, Ind., to live.

VIRGINIA.

Notes.

Council Bluffs, Ia., Special to THE FREEMAN.

The choir of the A M E Church gave a surprise to one of the members, Miss Rosey Nealy. Music and singing constituted the programme of the evening. ——Miss Brether has returned home after a two weeks' visit in Chicago. ——The Lyceum is preparing to give a concert.——Subscribe for THE FREEMAN.

HAWKEYE.

THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

TREACHERY OF REPUBLICAN SENATORS—REDEDICATIONS OF CHURCHES—A RICH MAN'S WILL MADE PUBLIC.

The Indian War—Gen. Forsythe—Colored Troops Prevented a Massacre.

Washington, D. C. Special to THE FREEMAN.

The late Dr Augusta's will has been filed; it divides his estate as follows: to his sister, Mary L $500 and certain lots in Norristown, Pa., and names his wife as executrix. The rest of the estate goes to his wife, though he had provided in case of her death, $500 are to go to St Marys' Chapel, of St John's Parish, for memorial window to the late Secretary Stanton for kindness shown; $1,000 to St Augustine Catholic church; $3,000 to the Oblato sisters of Baltimore, Md., $2,000 to the Ladies Christian Union Association and the rest of his estate to be funded and the interest to be devoted between the colored people for missionary work in the District of Columbia, one-half to be expended by the Protestant Episcopal church and one-half by the Catholic Fathers of St Augustine Church.

The new associate Justice Brown has taken his seat upon the Supreme Court Bench.

Miles' Tabernacle was dedicated last Sunday afternoon; able sermons were preached during the day by distinguished pulpit orators.

The Virginia avenue Baptist church loses a very able minister in the person of Rev R S Laws, who has been called to a charge in Pittsburg, Pa.

Since my last letter the Indian war has taken a fresh start; the President and General Miles has been severely criticied for releiving Col Forsythe from command of his regiment while the Indians are at war, no one doubts Col Forsythe's bravery; however, it is a fact had not the 9th Calvary (which is colored) came to his rescue so soon there would have been a massacre equal to General Custers' in 1867.

Eight Republican Senators combined with the Democrats to defeat the Federal Election Bill; they were Jones, Teller, Stewart, Walcott, Stanford, Shoup and McConnell. The whole matter seems to have been an understanding with the Vice President in the secret. The facts are these: Senator Steward offered a motion to take up the Silver Bill, which was antagonized by a Senator, in behalf of the Election Bill; the Vice President, Levi P Morton, found an excuse to leave the chair and called Senator Harris, of Tennessee, who is a Democrat, to the chair; the presiding officer refused to entertain debate and Senator Stewart's motion was adopted. The prospect for the passage of the Election Bill is gradually dying.

The Harrison and Morton League, recently organized, held a largely attended mass meeting last week and elected Editor Chase its president and W H Jones secretary.

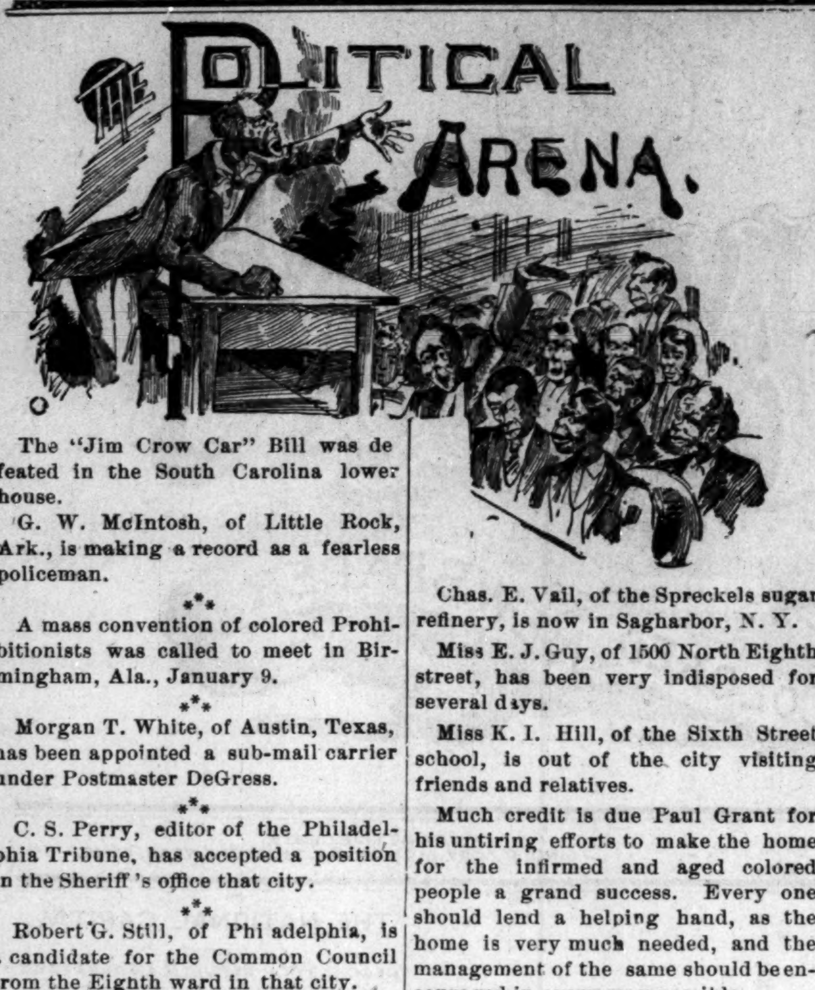
The Afro-American Colonization Society, of the District of Columbia, held a mass meeting at Asbury M E Church Thursday evening; strong resolutions were adopted favoring the passage of the Federal Election Bill.

The many friends of Miss Josephine Tenney are pained to hear of her death; she was a promising young lady with a bright future before her.

19th street Baptist church will be rededicated tomorrow, with appropiate services. The church has recently been remodeled at an expense of $50,000.

The many friends of Miss Irene Bird, THE FREEMAN's collector, will be pleased to hear that she is rapidly recovering from her long and severe illness.

Patrons of THE FREEMAN will find that journal on sale at the following business places: M S Kooutce, notion store, 1002 20th street; Dr J H Beller, corner 16th and North 6th streets; J Anderson's barber shop, 1501 M street; Wm P Gray, barber shop, 27 15th street; Moses Smith, oyster saloon and confectionery, 440 4½ street; Correspondent, 1133 17th street.



THE POLITICAL ARENA.

The "Jim Crow Car" Bill was defeated in the South Carolina lower house.

G. W. McIntosh, of Little Rock, Ark., is making a record as a fearless policeman.

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A mass convention of colored Prohibitionists was called to meet in Birmingham, Ala., January 9.

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Morgan T. White, of Austin, Texas, has been appointed a sub-mail carrier under Postmaster DeGress.

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C. S. Perry, editor of the Philadelphia Tribune, has accepted a position n the Sheriff's office that city.

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Robert G. Still, of Philadelphia, is a candidate for the Common Council rom the Eighth ward in that city.

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General Robert Smalls was the orator of the day at the Emancipation celebration at Greenville, S. C., January 1.

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Emancipation Day was observed throughout the entire South by the race. So far no reports of disorder have arrived.

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The Quay Club, a colored peoples' political organization, of Philadelphia, maintains a leading position among the "Quaker City" politicians.

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Colonel R. J. Harlan, a well known Ohio politician, gave a reception to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Doll at his residence, in Cincinnati, December 23. It was a magnificent affair.

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A dispatch from Mississippi the other day stated that the Negroes in certain portions of the State were paying their poll tax in unprecedented numbers. The motive for this, as ascribed in the dispatch, is the expectation that they will be allowed to vote freely and have all their votes counted under the new Mississippi constitution. There is no class of people in the nation that so respect and desire the elective franchise as the colored people. They stand in line from sunrise to sunset, where permitted to vote in the South, waiting for the tardy chance there grudgingly accorded. The supreme desire of hundreds of thousands more is to be allowed to be allowed to vote, and have their vote counted.—Ex.

THE CENTRAL STATE.

His Return From a Trip—Receptions and Society Affairs.

Kansas City, Kans., Special to THE FREEMAN.

Since our return from a pleasant visit to Lexington and Louisville, Ky., we have met many of the readers of THE FREEMAN, all of whom say the Kansas City, Kan., notes were very much missed the last two weeks.

The grand Bazar given by the ladies of the Metropolitan Baptist Church, Rev. W. R. Boone, B. D., pastor, corner Fifth and Anne, will long be remembered by the progressive citizens of the "Twin Cities." The affair was a grand success in every particular, as every article on sale, except the very fine "crazy" quilt, was sold at good profits. Much credit is due the following for the success of the entertainment: Mrs. R. A. Wade, Miss D. B. Thomas, Mrs. Rev. Boone, Miss Dollie Griffin, Messrs. Arnie Green, P. C. Thomas, Jesse Williams and others. The bazar was held five nights, with the rendition of an excellent programme each evening. The first evening a Christmas tree was had for the little folks, who rendered a pleasing programme; second evening, a musical programme was furnished by P. C. Thomas and others; third, the Bachelor's banquet made the audience laugh heartily; fourth, J. E. Neal, Esq., of Washington, D. C., delivered a telling address; fifth, Arnie Green, formerly of Springfield, O., did credit to himself in his connection with the programme. The first prize, a silver-mounted toilet set, was received by Miss D. B. Thomas. Miss Lizzie Suell received the second prize, a large doll.

James Carter, of the Lincoln High School, spent the Christmas holidays at Columbia, Mo.

Prof. A. J. Neeley spent his Christmas time at St. Joseph, Mo.

Mrs. M. E. Nero, Miss V. Brodie and many other Kansas City, Mo., society people attend the Metropolitan Bazar.

Miss Laura Parker has returned to Springfield, O.

Oscar G. Braun has returned to St. Joseph, Mo., and will be succeeded as head stenographer with Seavey & Flarsheim by T. J. Bishop. of St. Joseph.

Chas. E. Vail, of the Spreckels sugar refinery, is now in Sagharbor, N. Y.

Miss E. J. Guy, of 1500 North Eighth street, has been very indisposed for several days.

Miss K. I. Hill, of the Sixth Street school, is out of the city visiting friends and relatives.

Much credit is due Paul Grant for his untiring efforts to make the home for the infirmed and aged colored people a grand success. Every one should lend a helping hand, as the home is very much needed, and the management of the same should be encouraged in every way possible.

The poem by Geo. N. Geers, of this city, was looked for by the many readers of the holiday number.

REGULUS.

THE SMOKY CITY.

A Young People's Grand Banquet—Entertainment—Socials—Personals.

Pittsburg, Penn., Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Our Boys' Literary and Social Club, an organization composed of young men between the ages of sixteen and twenty years, gave a very brilliant entertainment on New Year's evening at the residence of Mrs. Geo. Holmes, 270 Wylie avenue. It was their second annual hop, and from the nature of the affair, they are dangerous rivals of the older organizations. Those who were there were Misses M. Jones, Josie A. Jones, M. Washington. J. Houck, Jennie Proctor. Mable Knox, J. Highgates, L. Lyles, May Law, H. Johnson, E. Hill, Zoe Self, C. S. Johnston, Simpson Masters, L. Googins, president; W. Dammand, vice-president; W. H. Stanton, secretary; W. A. A. Tocas, corresponding secretary; J. P. Highgates, treasurer; O. E. Bartholomew, John Freeman, D. Richards, Jr., Wm. Crates, E. B. Riley, Geo. Pierce, A. M. Odannel, Josie Stanton, M. J. Proctor, Howard Hill and Chas. Campbell.

Mrs. Chas. Green, of 708 Penn. avenue is very sick.

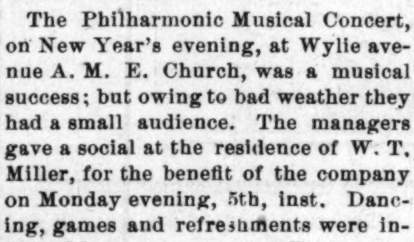
Miss Carrie Proctor, after spending a very enjoyable vacation at home, has returned to Oberlin College.

A surprise party was tendered Miss Florence Bruce, of Alleghany, Tuesday evening, the 30th, ult. A very enjoyable time was had.

Miss Mary Williams, of Xenia, O., is stopping with Mrs. M. Thompson of Logan street. She is said to be late from the Observatory of music, and is very accomplished both in instrumental aud vocal.

The Philharmonic Musical Concert, on New Year's evening, at Wylie avenue A. M. E. Church, was a musical success; but owing to bad weather they had a small audience. The managers gave a social at the residence of W. T. Miller, for the benefit of the company on Monday evening, 5th, inst. Dancing, games and refreshments were indulged in.

PHEONIX.



CHURCH.

Secretaries of Conferences are requested to send us Minutes as soon as they are published We will be glad to receive the published proceedings of Sunday Schools, District Conferences etc.

Rev. T. A. Glymp has been called to the pastorate of the First Baptist Church, St. Augustine, Fla.

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A New Cumberland Presbyterian Church will shortly be built in Milan, Tenn., by the colored people.

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Rev. Job Pettigrew, aged 80, died in Ocala, Fla., lately. He was the oldest Baptist minister in the state.

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Princeton, N. J., has three colored churches, Methodist, Baptist and Presbyterian. The latter has recently been remodeled at a cost of $600.

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The people of Haynes Station, Ark., are trying hard to complete a new church before the meeting of their Presby which convenes the first Sunday in April.

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Rev. W. G. Stewart is presiding elder and Rev. Moorer, pastor of the A. M. E. Church at Tallahassee, Fla., by action of the late conference.

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Rev. John Brock, of Philadelphia, was handsomely remembered by his members Christmas. Many substantials were given the reverened gentleman.

Rev. C. G. Roberts, of Liberia, Africa, is now lecturing in the south. His lectures are said to be couched in choice language and are highly instructive.

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Rev. W. H. Jones, the pastor of Eliza Turner Mission, Philadelphia, expects to dedicate his new church the last Sabbath in January. The new church has a seating capacity of about three hundred people. The pastor and his congregation are loboring hard to raise $2,300 by the 15th of March, 1891, at which time the church hopes to be out of debt.

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The home of Bishop and Mrs. B. T. Tanner, Philadelphia, was lately made joyus by the convening of many prominent friends, to honor the departure of their eldest son, Henry, the artist, who intends going abroad; among those present were: Mrs. F. E. W. Harper and daughther, Mrs. Ida Yeocum, Miss Menson, of Ohio, Mrs. Mary Tanner Mossell, of Lockport, N. Y., Mrs. Hallie Dillon, Editor B. F. Lee, Presiding Elder. Schaffer, Wm. Still, Rev. N. F. Temple and Messrs. Woodson and J. Henry Gardner.—Ex.

Quakerites.

Philadelphia, Pa., Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Zion Wesley A. M. E. Church, south-west corner of 15th and Lombard streets, gave their Christmas concert the 28th.

Will Bernard and sister spent their Christmas in Harrisburg, Pa.

Miss Mamie Robinson, of Richmond, Va., is spending the holidays with Miss Mamie Allen, 1021 Ivy street.

S. T. Jack's Creole Burlesque Co., was at the Standard Theatre. The company has twenty six Creole beauties.

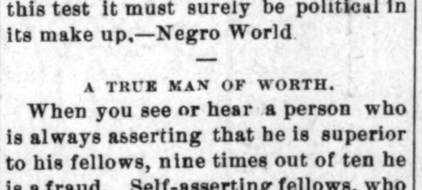
The Central Presbyterian Church, Lombard street, Rev. J. B. Reeves, D. D., Pastor, gave a Sunday School Christmas concert; Wm. Still superintendent.

The grand ball of the Golden Eagle New Years' Club, took place New Years evening.

The Golden Eagle Club is the finest colored masquerade association in this city and compares with many of the whites.

Charles Klein, colored, was shot and dangerously wounded at the rooms of the Edwin H. Fitler's club, Locust street, above 12th street, early New Years morning, by Charley Talk, who was handling a revolver; he claimed that it was accidentaly discharged; he was committed for a hearing.

William H Swigen, of Wilmington, Del., spent New Years with his friend, Joseph J. Moore, 625 Ronaldson street



THE DRIFT OF SENTIMENT

BY ITS FRUITS.

It is the boast of the Alliance that it is non-partisan, but a tree must be judged by its fruits, and by applying this test it must surely be political in its make up.—Negro World

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A TRUE MAN OF WORTH.

When you see or hear a person who is always asserting that he is superior to his fellows, nine times out of ten he is a fraud. Self-asserting fellows, who blow their own horns, are disgusting to honest men. The man of true worth is, as a rule, modest, and not given to blowing.—The Champion.

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THEY ARE WAKING UP.

The good white people of this beautiful and prosperous southland are waking up to the fact that the lynch law is keeping more monied men of the North and West from settling here in one year than our big expositions, grand carnivals, etc., bring to the South in five years. And the edict has gone forth; lynch law must go!—Central City Times

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THE THIRD PARTY.

If the National White Alliance has conceived the idea of forming a third party for the purpose of consolidating the interests of the people into the hands of the government, it is too far reaching, in our judgement, to be successful in 1892. The National Colored Alliance should take no part in the new party movement, until the proper time presents itself for political action; then we should cast our votes where it will do the most good for the advancement of the race.—National Union.

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CONGRATULATES HIS RIVAL.

We congratulate our friend, Chris. S. Perry, editor of the Weekly Tribune, of this city, over his appointment as clerk in the Sheriff's office. He was fortunate in securing such an honorable position. We know the man and his business qualities. He will not stop until he has reached the top of the ladder. No more worthy selection was made by our new Sheriff. We wish every newspaper man had such a New Year's gift as friend Perry has received. Chris., accept our best wishes.—Philadelphia Sentinel.

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WINNING A COMPETENCY.

There is much in Negro southern life to guarantee the hope that time, with perseverance and thrift will overcome the differences between the races; that the wealthy and intelligent Negro will be acceptable in the direction of affairs south of Mason & Dixon's line. In many of the Southern States are Negroes who show an aptness for the various avenues of business who are winning from it a subsistence and a competency that will place them in the very front ranks of leading southern gentlemen, whose place in the several communities will be one of respectability and advantage.—Philadelphia Tribune.

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HOLD UP HIS HANDS.

Recorder Townsend and Milton Holland are the only two Northern Afro-Americans who hold positions of prominence under the Administration, and their positions are in no degree commensurate with the exceeding value of the Afro-American votes they represent. Were it possible for them to be paid more than they are, we would yet maintain that the Northern Afro-American is not rewarded in strict accordance with merit, and Townsend is righteous in his discontent. Let the North get together and hold up Townsend's hands, say we.—Ohio Standard.

THE FALLS CITY.

Items Relating to Socials—Personals, Etc.

Louisville, Ky., Special to THE FREEMAN.

The elite pleasure people of Louisville will give a grand hop and waltzing party in Shelbyville, Ky., on February 26. Many ladies are preparing for it, and the Shelbyville people are preparing to receive them. Among those managing the affair are Messrs. Thomas H. Ramsey, Eli D. Goodall, G. W. Clark, Wm. Walker, Will Bates, J. W. Riley, Warner Grant, Richard Balls, Theo. Lee.

THE FREEMAN is gaining a large circulation here.

Wm. Momen, of Third avenue, will soon claim a bride.

William Walker will open a dancing school in Indianapolis soon.

Elder Gaddy has commenced a revival at his church on East Green street.

Prof. Gillard deserves credit for the manner in which he conducts his dancing school at College Hall.

The family and friends of Mr. and Mrs. Overstreet mourn the death of their little daughter, Ann Overstreet.

The death of the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Shelton, of 112 West Chestnut street, is sad news to their many friends.

A grand entertainment was given December 18, at King Solomon's Temple, 529 West Green street. Music and refreshments were in abundance.

Frank Jones, of 112 West Chestnut street, desires the address of his father, Solomon Jones, formerly of 170 West Georgia street.

George Porter has returned to the city, after having enjoyed holidays with his mother and many friends in Anchorage.

We scarcely know how to thank the coachmen of the Gurney Cab Company for taking so may copies of THE FREEMAN, and especially John Loving, who was at the head.

John Loving and wife entertained a few of their many friends last Sunday evening. Those present were Messrs. William Momen, G. W. Shelton, P. J. Cooper gnd others.

James Overstreet, of 227 Brook street, desires the address of his daughter, Sallie, in Indianapolis, who is married. Her present name and address are unknown.

SHE SPEAKS HER SENTIMENTS.

The Prejudice that Exists within the Ranks of the Afro-American—A Brown Cheeked Lassie vs. the Rosy Cheeked—A Plea to Mothers and Fathers to Quit the Vile Practice.

Greenville, Miss., Special to THE FREEMAN.

There is a great deal said about the colored people in the South being deprived of their rights as well as pleasures on account of color. In many States they are not allowed to ride in a first class car, and in the theatres must run the risk of being crippled by climbing up into the gallery. This is all very unpleasant, but I wonder if many look at the color prejudice practiced by our own people as being far more hurting than any contempt received from a race whom we know consider themselves as being superior not only to the Negro, but to all other races. We need not expect from them any more than we receive, and no less; but let us turn to our own people. We find pure, virtuous girls slighted not only by the gentlemen, but by the fairer sisters, and why? Simply because they have crimpy hair and brown cheeks instead of rosy ones. Often young ladies of a dark hue are ashamed to go out in company for the simple reason, or I might say a great reason, which is, they may expect to be but wall flowers while the flaxen hair and ruby lips are reigning belles of every occasion. It seems that intelligence would destroy this mean practice, but contrary to what should be done, the educated class shows more prejudice than the illiterate. To visit many of our high schools and colleges you find the bright girls holding themselves aloof from the dark ones. Even in the free schools little girls begin the dividing line. From their action they seem to be taught the lesson of mingling with the fair and scorning the dark. Let us take two girls reared in the same town, one of good honest brown skin parentage, the other a child of shame; yet our best families throw open their doors to make it pleasant for the latter. Our best men honor and revere her; our best ladies compliment her beauty and praise her manners, while the former they merely respect because they have no cause to disrespect.

The people of some churches object to a dark minister, as how can the color talk, preach or pray. Still our people say they love morality, and so they may, but my dear friends, if to slight good women and useful men because they are dark, is not an encouragement to amalgamation, what is?

Just think of it, if a man of rank pays attention to a dark girl, every one is astonished; if he marries her a miracle is performed. Oh! fathers how long will you encourage this cursed deed? Brothers, why do you indulge this bitter evil? Daughters, sisters, mothers, all, why still uphold the selfish hand of prejudice? Oh! ye who love God and humanity, help, oh, help to break down the wall of prejudice! You cannot be true to the race and yet despise all who bear signs of Africa. Oh! ye men of influence help on the day when morals and culture will make a lady instead of the auburn hair and blue eyes. When a gentleman will be a gentleman. Then we will have societies of true ladies and gentlemen.

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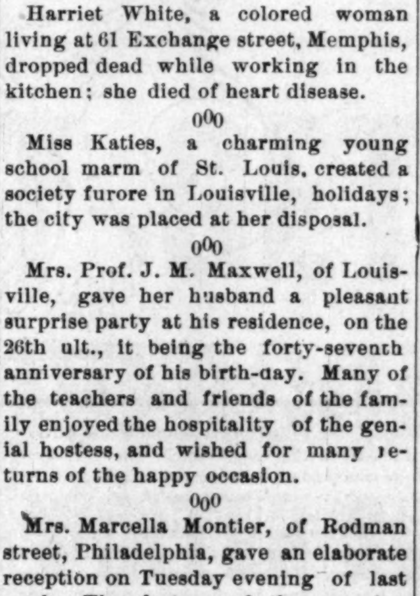

[NOTE—In this column we are making a special effort to interest the women of the race and to make a show of what they have done and are doing; we shall be glad to have the co-operation of all in this work. Send us the news. Send us the photos and sketches of representative women of your acquaintance. Intelligent women can secure lucrative employment by addressing the editor of THE FREEMAN.]

Tina Thompson, colored, died at Gallatin, Tenn, Friday, age 120.

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At the San Francisco Fair Mrs. Jno. Jones won the premium of being the most handsome widow.

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Mrs. J. D. Ware, of Lexington, Ky., gave a "Fiddle Winkle" party in honor of the Y. M. U. Club.

Miss Maggie Williams is organist of the Wesley Union Church, Harrisburg, Pa., and is making her mark as performer on the organ.

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Harriet White, a colored woman living at 61 Exchange street, Memphis, dropped dead while working in the kitchen; she died of heart disease.

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Miss Katies, a charming young school marm of St. Louis, created a society furore in Louisville, holidays; the city was placed at her disposal.

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Mrs. Prof. J. M. Maxwell, of Louisville, gave her husband a pleasant surprise party at his residence, on the 26th ult., it being the forty-seventh anniversary of his birth-day. Many of the teachers and friends of the family enjoyed the hospitality of the genial hostess, and wished for many returns of the happy occasion.

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Mrs. Marcella Montier, of Rodman street, Philadelphia, gave an elaborate reception on Tuesday evening of last week The feature of the occasion was the presentation of a handsomely framed and engrossed chart of the battle and engagements in which her husband, Robert Montier, participated while in the army and navy during the rebellion.

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"Woman is a very dangerous investment. She has kept man in hot water ever since Adam allowed himself to be led astray by curious and busy-body Eve. She has caused the devil to wonder and the minister of the gospel to fall from grace. The physican has found no remedy to escape her toils, the lawyer has robbed his clients to satisfy her whims, and the merchant has become bankrupt in order to gratify her desires. It has taken all the grace that newspaper men could muster up to resist that alluring smile of hers. She has caused governments to be upturned, kings to be bethroned, and blood to flow like water. And now in this great and glorious nineteenth century she causes the hand to fall back on the dial of Home Rule. Mrs. O'Shea's a jim dandy, and don't you forget it."—Pittsburg (Pa.) Broadaxe.

San Carlos, Ariz., Dec. 29, '90.

Dear Sir—THE FREEMAN has no equal and should be taken by every Afro-American citizen and soldier. Hoping you may increase your subscript on list from 25,000 to 100,000 names, I remain

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Lawrence Foster, of Boston, is aspiring to be a Shakespearian reader.

The J. M. Blowe Cornet Band, of Vicksburg, Miss., gave a stag banquet, January 2nd.

The "Fairy Vision," arranged by Ella B. Spencer, was given in Chicago, December 25th.

An entertainment was given in East Louisville, Kentucky, last week by the Shakespearian Juniors.

The Cyclone quartet, of Spokane Falls is succeeding in pleasing under the management of W. A. Reed.

A Grand literary and musical entertainment was given at Lyceum Hall, Evanston. Ill., December 25th.

Coats and Walker the great comedians have filled a weeks engagement at the West Side Theatre Chicago; they are now in St. Paul, Minn.

Mrs. Batson Bergen, the noted singer, will visit her mother and family at Providence, R. I., till January 20th. She sings in Philadelphia January 28.

An Australian paper says Wallace King, the tenor, is singing the part of "Maurico" in an operatic burlesque entitled "Ill-treated Trovatore," at the Sidalhambra Theatre and speaks highly of his singing.

The Lew Johnson Minstrels are now on the way home over the southern route. They were billed for Magdelen, Ara., December 27th; Nogale, 28th; Tomb-tone, 29th; Tucson, 30th, Phœnix, January 1st. They have had a good season.

The Halifax Morning Hearld of December 9th says: "Miss Reeves, white, and Albert Saunders, colored, managers of the Reeves Dramatic Company, were arrested under a capias at the instance of Felix Quinn for $78 alleged to be due for board.

The Metropolitan Chorous, of Indianapolis, is a strong organization with Prof. B. T. Martin as musical director and Forte M. Bazel manager. There are some twenty-five artists and their concerts have been well received by the critics.

Mrs. F. W. Harper, the noted lec turer, gave a pleasant little company at her residence, 1006 Bainbridge street, Philadelphia, on New Years' evening, in honor of Mrs. Aaron Mossell, of Lockport, N. Y. Among those present were Wm. Still and wife, Mrs. A. F. Mossell, Mrs. Burrell, Dr. Embry, Bishop B. T. Tanner and wife, Ella Still.

The Tennessee Jubilee Singers, Mme. Matilda S. Jones leading soprano, sang at the President's Palace in Port-Au-Prince, Hayti, November 16th. The music hall was handsomely decorated with flags and buntings of the national colors, the stage was set off with beautiful palms, ferns and roses, the floor was covered with a large handsome rug. The President complimented the singing in a neat speech and had refreshments served after the concert.—Ex.

THE CRACKER STATE.

Items of Various Import.

Washington, Ga., Special to THE FREEMAN.

Alexander Hatters and brother-in-law, Mr. Brown, came up from Augusta last week to visit some of the members of the Wilkes County lodge.

J. H. Henderson is still very ill.

Glen Ross was in the city on Saturday.

Anthony Ellis is one of our best shoe makers.

Miss Mary Scott left last week for Augusta.

Rev. C. C. Cargile left Monday for Madison.

Mrs. William Carter gave a Christmas dinner.

Mrs. Fannie C. Cargile has arrived in the city.

Miss Kate Edwards, of Augusta, was in the city last week.

Mrs. Mary Bland, of Atlanta, came down last week to spend a few days.

The skating rink for the season of '91 has opened its doors to the public.

Miss Maria Robertson, of Augusta, is visiting friends and relatives in this city.

Miss Mary Harris, of Sparta, is in the city. She is the guest of Mrs A. B. Stith.

Miss Susie J. Morrison, of Elberton, Ga., was expected in the city this week.

Joseph Wingfield, who has been absent from Washington for ten years came up last week to visit relatives and friends.

Master Stephen Pettus left Wednesday for Atlanta, where he will attend Clark University.

There was an entertainment given by the young boys at the residence of Mrs. Charles Butler.

Henry Simpson, one of our best young men, farmed last year and cleared many dollars.

THE COLLEGE TOWN.

The Young People Have Their Fun and Parties Were Numerous.

Oberlin, O., Special to THE FREEMAN.

The young people's party, given at the residence of M. Cowan by his daughters, Berdie and Froy was quite a success. Refreshments were served and the youths amused themselves in a most delightful manner.

Charles Smith spent a few days at home last week.

Miss Alidia Roberts, of Cleveland, O., is the guest of Mrs. C. Robinson.

Walter Butler, of Cleveland, spent a few days with his parents last week.

Miss Cornice Cross left for her home in Macon City, Mo., Tuesday evening.

Z. Davis, of Erie, Pa., spent Sunday in Oberlin, as the guest of Mrs. Blake.

The young men of the village made their accustomed New Year's calls through rain and mud.

Remember that the agent can not continue successfully unless his patrons settle their bills.

Mrs. Tolbert, of Cleveland, attended the dinner given at the residence of Mrs. H. P. Scott, Friday.

Miss Victoria Scott returned from Cleveland after a few days visit, accompanied by Miss Hattie Sampson.

W. G. Huffman, having spent a few days in Xenia, returned home Friday accompanied by his sister, Miss Ora Huffman.

A party was given at the residence of Mrs. Thomas Mumford Monday evening. This closed the season of holiday parties.

Mr. and Mrs. Gaiters gave a party Thursday evening in honor of Miss Mary Bookrum, who returned recently from Washington, Ky.

Misses Robinson, Mitchell and Alexander and Messrs. Lowe, Wilkinson, Alexander, Walters and Jennings were in Cleveland last week.

The young ladies and gentlemen gathered at the residence of Mrs. William Mitchel Thursday evening to spend a few hours of the New Year in pleasure.

Charles Sewell, of Chattanooga, Tenn., having spent his vacation in Oberlin, returned to Washington, D. C., to resume his studies in the Medical Department of Howard University.

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CLIPPINGS. HERE & THERE.

The Colored Teachers' Institute met at New Decatur, Alabama, January 10.

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Rev. M. N. Nelson opened the New Wayman University, of the A. M. E. Church at Chattanooga, Tennessee, on the 5th.

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Prof. J. E. Lester, from Fisk University, has accepted a position in Alcorn University, Mississippi, as teacher of mathematics.

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Prof. L. C. Anderson, of Prairie View Normal School, Texas, spent several days in Austin last week, on school business.

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Godfrey and Kilran are matched to fight before the California Athletic Club, in March for $4,000. The club will also make a match for Peter Jackson and Jim Corbett.

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Prof. Cæsar Bennett, of Ocala, Fla., met with a very severe accident Christmas. A stage fell, and, in trying to save himself, the Professor caught a piece of a broken lamp, cutting a large and painful gash in his left hand.

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The Grand United Order of Odd Fellows has more than 2,000 subordinate lodges, 110,000 members, 100 councils, 400 households, 75 patriarchies and property valuation estimated at $1,000,000.

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An elegant reception was given at the residence of Tom Douglas, of Huntsville, Ala., December 31st, to a select concourse of gilt edged aristocrats. The following named parties did honor to the courtesy of the genial host and hostess: Dr E. B. Scruggs, Isaah McDonald, Charley H. Weeden, D. S. Brandon, George Johnson, A. J. Hawkins, Charley Scott, S. H. Nelson, Elias Patton, F. B. Scruggs and James B. Turner.

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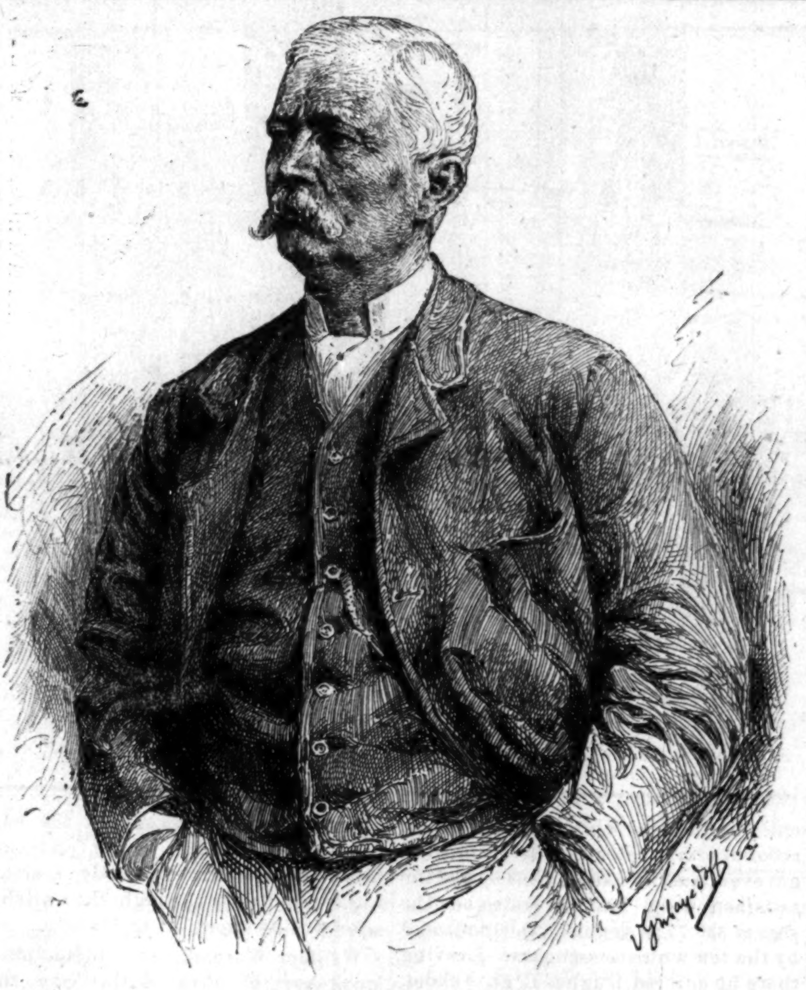
Ex-Mayor W. R. Vaughan, of Omaha, Nebraska, wrote to Mayor Davidson, of Baltimore, requesting him to send the names of "two of the most reliable and intelligent Negroes in Baltimore," and to state if they are engaged in business, and the nature of their occupations. The Mayor replied: "We have a great many reliable and intelligent colored men in our city. It is a difficult matter for me to discriminate and mention the names of the two most reliable, but I will mention, among other reliable and intelligent persons of that race, the names of E. J. Waring, who is a practicing attorney at our bar, and the Rev. Harvey Johnson, pastor of the Union Colored Bap-Church, of this city.

A Generous Lady.

A certain colored Methodist Church in Washington was the recipient of a Christmas offering from Mrs. Senator Stanford, which was none the less acceptable because unexpected. A day or so before Christmas Mrs. Stanford, accompained by her maid, went out about dusk for a walk. Attracted by the singing in a church, the ladies went in, and seating themselves in one of the back pews, listened to the services. Nothing unusual occurred until the time to take up a collection arrived The pastor became very demonstrative and exhorted the brethern and sisters present to give liberally, as the sum of $50 was needed. "Nothing less would suffice." The pastor announced that during the taking up of the collection the congregation would unite in singing "Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow." Mrs. Stanford had unfortunately forgotten her purse, but in lieu of money put her visiting card on the plate, on which she had written "Mrs. Stanford will give $100." When the plate was returned to the pulpit the pastor, noticing the card, read it and became very much excited, which excitement he imparted to the congregation by the remark "that God had heard their prayers and had sent Mrs. Stanford to give them $100." This almost created a panic, and many of the brethern started from their seats and attempted to pour out their thanks to the benevolent lady. Mrs. Stanford became quite alarmed, but finally succeeded in leaving the church. Bright and early the next morning the pastor appeared at the Stanford residence and obtained his $100.—Ex.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RACE GLEANINGS.

Deacon Hank, of Helena, Ark., was seriously tusked by a vicious wild boar recently.

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The local Afro-American leagues of Ohio ars being called upon to pay the annual assessment.

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Dr. L. H. Johnson and wife, of Detroit, celebrated their twenty-fifth marriage anniversary lately.

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James Davis was the first Afro-American born in Ohio, and his birth took place at Marietta in 1789.

The Colored Farmers' Alliance in South Carolina is doing much in the way of uniting the colored farmers.

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J. G. Jones, of Little Rock, Ark, a most successful business man, has returned home from an extended Northern trip on business.

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The fifteenth anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. William S. Johnson, of 19 Darmouth Place, Boston, was observed Christmas.

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A Baton Rouge, La., dispatch says on December 25 Wm. Johnson, colored, had a dispute with his wife, and shot her dead. The murderer escaped.

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The Memphis Appeal-Avalanch reported a bloody affray at Swan Lake, near there. Two Negroes were reported dead and ten injured. The row originated at a dance.

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The Proclamation of Emancipation of the Negroes of the United States was celebrated at the Second Baptist Church, in Talladega, Ala., on Thursday, January 1, 1891.

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At Campbell's Creek, W. Va., Gus Stepson, colored, aged sixteen years, quarreled with a boy named Gardner. Richard Gardner, father of the boy, interfered, when Stepson shot him, inflicting a fatal wound in the bowels.

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The President, it is understood, is canvassing the claims of several colored men from the West, among them three or four of the newspaper fraternity, with a view of associating them with his administration.

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The colored farmers in and around Kingston, Ga., have set an example which the colored farmers of the whole South would do well to emulate. They have organized themselves into what they call the "Farmers' Club."

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A gloom was cast over Beaufort, S. C., last week by the fatal, but accidental, shooting of L. J. Strickland by Chas Sanders. Mr. Strickland was a member of the Beaufort Lodge G. U. O. of O. F: also an active member of the Wesley M. E. Church.

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Emmett and Jessie Wideman, two brothers, colored, of Jackson, Tenn., had a desperate fight with knives and rocks. Jessie was struck on the head. He gashed Emmett's throat from ear to ear, narrowly missing his jugular vein.

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The army of colored employes in the various departments, at Washington, D. C., threaten to make a united protest against the long-established custom of compelling them to act as house servants outside of office hours. Nearly every chief of a division has as a dining-room servant a colored employe of the Government.

Paragraphs.

Bonham, Texas, Special to THE FREEMAN.

We have had no snow yet. Cotton picking is about over.——Miss Callie Johnson left on the 26th to attend the Roger Williams University, Nashville, Tenn.——Joe Brooks, a colored boy seven years of age, shows great signs of a coming artist. He is now engaged in painting stage scenery. He has a natural gift.——Christmas has made its advent and old Santa Clause has made glad the hearts of many.——Beltshazzar's Feast at the Baptist Church was a success, socially and financially.——THE FREEMAN may be found at John Edmund's peanut stand

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Hiram Harrison is an Afro-American mail carrier at LaPorte, Ind.; he commenced his rounds last week.

PATRICK'S BARGAIN.

Lady (suddenly returned from Europe)—Patrick, what does this mean? I left you in charge of our residence while abroad, and I find the front yard filled with clothes lines, and every line full of clothes. Our beautiful place looks like a Chinese laundry. You promised me that your wife would not take in washing.

Patrick—We haven't taken in any washin', mum. We've only been takin' in hangin' out clothes.—New York Weekly.

AN AFFAIR OF HONOR.

"You are a rude, unlettered boor, sir."

"Sir, you shall answer for this insult."

"What weapons will you choose?"

"Anything you please, sir."

"Name the place, the day and the hour."

To-morrow at 3 o'clock, at the north end of the high bridge."

"I shall be there, but if any accident should detain me, you may begin first."—Judge.

WILLING TO HELP.

Mrs. Liszt (soliciting subscriptions)—Can't I rely on getting your name for five dollars to send a missionary to the heathen?

Mr. Scadds—Nope; but if yonr parson will admit 'em to his church, I'll go down town to the slum and spend five dollars car fare in sending a hundred heathen to the missionary!—Puck.

STINGS FROM THE WASP.

If you tell a fellow that he is a blockhead the chances are, ten to one, that he won't believe it.

"How many buckets does it take to empty the sea?" asked a would be wit of a friend. But the latter out witted him by answering, "If you take a bucket that is as large as the sea you only need one."

Little Cohen—Pass der vinegar, moder.

Mrs. Cohen—You mustn't take so much vinegar, Mosey. Dot vas bad for your constitution.

Mr. Cohen—Let him haf all he vants, Leah. If you stunt his growth he can ride on der street car all his life at half price.

Mr. Preets—Well, fo' de Lawd! Am yo' drunk or crazy, to be luggin' a stove around with yer?

Mr. Yallerby—Doan you worry! I'se gwine ter call on dat Miss Spaces, an' I heerd de boys say she was berry cold an' frigid, so I thought I'd go prepared, savy?

"Your brother seems to pay no attention to the girls, does he?"

"Oh, no; he has to escort me everywhere until I'm married"

"Yes. I heard him say he preferred to be a bachelor all his life."

Hannibal crossed the Alps, but it is not related that he ever crossed his mother-in-law.

The good die young, but Democratic Congressmen frequently dangle their great grandchildren on their knees.

Quincy Quakes.

Quincy, Ill., Special to THE FREEMAN.

Wesley Robinett, who has been confined to his bed for the last three or four months with consumption, died the 5th, inst., and was buried the 7th.

Miss A. De'Pugh spent the holidays in Litchfield.

Miss R. P. Johnson spent the holidays with Chicago and Bloomington friends.

Mrs. Rachel Warner, of Galesburg, Ill., is visiting Quincy friends. She will return home week after next.

Miss Cora Johnson, of Richmond, Va., will pay a visit to her brother, William Johnson, of Quincy, next week.

Mrs. Thos. Williams was the guest of Hannibal, Mo., friends. She was present at the wedding of Samuel Burton and a Hannibal belle.

Louis Spencer, who is employed at the Tremont Hotel, had a misfortune in spraining his leg very badly, which has confined him to his bed.

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THE talk that the Negro will desert the Republican party, especially in the North, because of the defeat of the election bill, is so much nonsense. The Negroes are divided on the question just as much as the white men are.

SEVERAL Afro-American journals, among them the Washington Bee, have by some means discovered that Mr Harrison is considering the claims of three or four journalists of the West for recognition. We would be pleased to see the craft honored, but we advise them to continue sawing wood and waste no time on such rumors; we heard that distant rumbling several years ago.

THE Negro Press Convention should be convened in Washington City or New York, the former being the most suitable. It is hoped that the meeting may be pleasant and that the interchange of views relative to journalism should constitute the drift of the exercises. Heretofore these conventions have attempted the role of national conventions and spent the time on subjects foreign to their objects. But it matters not where it meets or what it does it should be well attended by the journalistic brotherhood.

THERE is something sad in the committing of suicide by whichever sex or age, but the saddest cases are those of old people, as in the one of an old man and wife this week, in Jersey City, N. J. They were worn out with struggling, weakened in body, devoid of energy and without a single ambition save that death should come to them at the same time. The world says suicide is the act of the coward, but the world cannot know the workings of the mind that contemplates the commission of an act before which the bravest of mankind shrink in astute fear.

A PREPOSTEROUS IDEA.

OUT in Illinois some person courting notoriety is advising the Negroes to nominate a ticket of their own that Republican duplicity may be rebuked. The idea is preposterous; it makes no difference what political shift the Negro makes, the white man proposes to down him even if it becomes necessary to unite both parties. Such a sentiment as organizing a party of Negroes to be, doubtless, dubbed the "Black-and-tan" party, should be banished from the minds of the people. No such thing is possible, nor even desirable. The better way to do is to study the "art of mixing." The Negro needs to be a good mixer, politically speaking.

HENRY M. STANLEY.

In this issue is presented the portrait of a most enduring and fearless man, Henry M. Stanley. For more than fifteen years the name, Stanley, has been on the lips of the civilized world; yea, even more, the wild and degraded of the Dark Continent have lisped it. The early life and romantic career of this intrepid man has been given to the public time after time, so much, indeed, that a resume of it would be quite unnecessary. As the discoverer of the lamented Livingstone, organizer of the Free Congo State and the rescuer of Emin Pasha, he has done more than any man in forcing attention upon the African Continent. His books are fountains of interesting imformation, and, besides being valuable for historical and geographical studies are enriched with an exhaustless amount of fascinating details. Mr. Stanley is a remarkable man, being able to undergo the most enduring hardships and then putting such in writing with the ease and grace of a professional literateur. Even in his lectures he tells with a most vivid eloquence of his adventures and accomplishments. "In Darkest Africa" is a book of untold value, and reads like no other ever published. The illustrations, mechanical getup and general execution of the work evidences the most painstaking care and the very best of ability in every department. Say what we may, the book is like its author, very remarkable, in this day of good publications. The Negro race has a deep interest in the "Darkest Continent." We need to know more of it and no where can we find that desired knowledge more explicitly put than in the latest achievement of the century's greatest explorer, H. M. Stanley.

THE TWENTY-EIGHT PAGE HUMBUG.

The Appeal, of St. Paul, etc., a migratory and in some respects a nugatory publication, has its war paint on, it appears. Its last issue devoted one solid column of its editorial space in expurgating itself and, yet more than ever, showed its detestable propensities. THE FREEMAN stated that the Appeal's holiday issue was of patent matter almost exclusively and that its attempt to palm it off on the public was a species of hood-wink. In this issue to back the statement we go farther, and wager any amount that our accusation is true. We are willing to call in as arbiters any three or five persons to decide the matter. We also say that the statement made by the Appeal as to the paper being of matter "made up" in its office is just so much humbuggery to deceive the public. The attempt to deceive is too glaring and like its other questionable practices, will not be gulped down by the public. The gauzy statement of being "made up" implies that the matter was adjusted to the forms in its office after it had left the office of some newspaper union where such stuff is sold by the ton. The twenty-eight pages of reading matter in the Appeal did not contain five columns of race news; there was not one page of original matter in clippings, correspodence, editorial and locals. If that is not an attempt to hoodwink we don't know what the word means. It says we are envious; envious of what? What has it got, or what has it done, that we should envy it? Is it not patent to every race paper in the country that the Appeal has been for months trying to imitate THE FREEMAN in its make-up? Is it not true that even its manner of advertising is an attempted imitation of THE FREEMAN? Why should we be envious? We are only sorry that there is not enough ability and originality in its management to allow it to grow in favor, because of its own exertions and ingenuity. But it matters not what it says, the Appeal's holiday number of twenty-eight pages was four-fifth syndicated, plate matter, bought from some newspaper union or company. We dare, also, to say, that the praise the Appeal received from the press was more through charity than merit, for, in fact, there could be no possible merit in such a wholesale purchase of second-hand reading matter, which in no wise pertained to the race for which it claims to be published. It was a clear case of attempted deception.

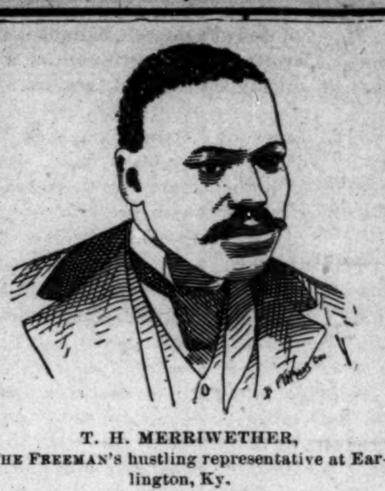
In order to make a point, Cy. Adams resorts to a species of contemptible argument. He gets very personal and tries to secure sympathy by resorting to the cowardly act, that of exposing private affairs—affairs quite irrelevant to the point in question. Yet he fails utterly in his base fabrications. Our business relation with Lee, Jenkins and others, while not subject for Adams' venomous spite are open to investigation. They were in the line of legitimate business. We do not stoop to Adams' despicable tactics; were we to do so we fear he would suffer much

The Appeal seems to have wisdom enough to know a good thing when it sees it; therefore, it follows as best it can in the foot steps of THE FREEMAN. Watch their adds., their classified news, portraits, etc.

We do not ask the people or the papers to take our word for our circulation. We stand ready to wager any amount that THE FREEMAN'S circulation is larger than the four papers named by our contemporary; yea, more, we will include the Appeal, thereby making five papers; the affidavits from postmasters and paper companies to decide the matter.

All news that we print is properly credited under our appropriate heads; that is journalism. Being a National paper, we are compelled to use news from all sources; credit is given as classified news, and that is all that is expected by leading papers.

Mr. Adams suggests that "the truth of the matter is, a very small man has been trying to run a big paper." It is admitted then that THE FREEMAN is a big paper, but that we are too small to "run it." We have "run it" pretty successfully, and our readers say it improves with each issue. You evidently see through green glasses.



T. H. MERRIWETHER,
THE FREEMAN'S hustling representative at Earlington, Ky.

ERIE K. DIXON.

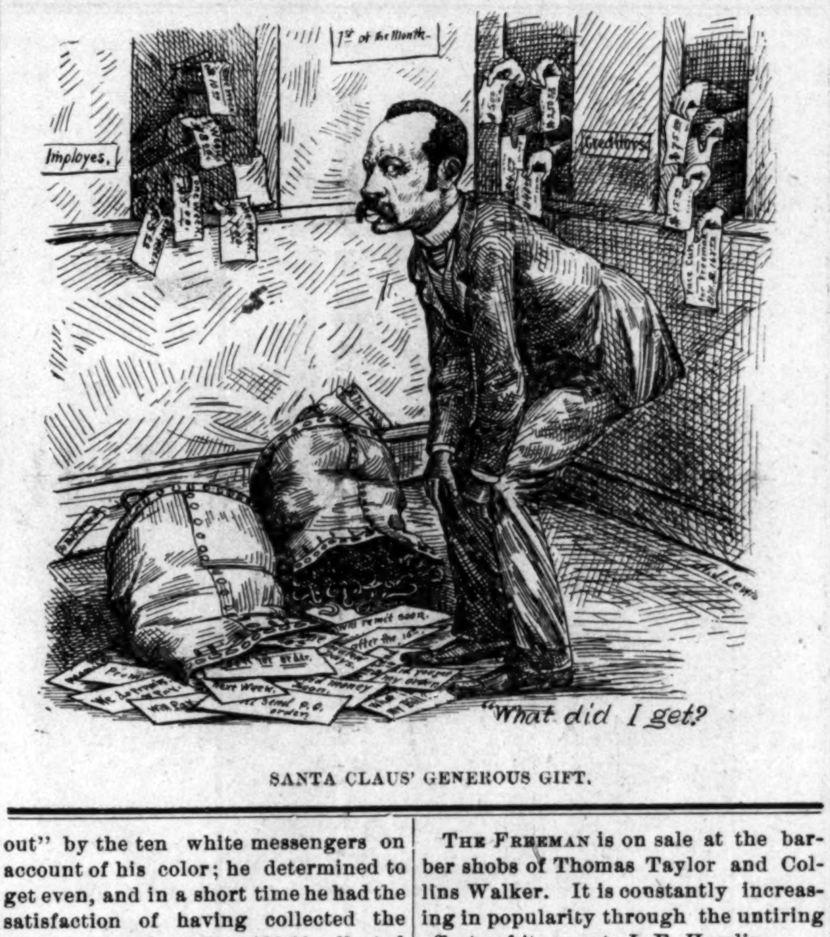
The Energetic Freeman Agent.

For THE FREEMAN.

The subject of this sketch was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, April 29th 1870, and is the only son of Humphrey and Nancy Dixon, old and respectable citizens of this place. At the age of ten years he entered Gaines High School, where, under the skillful hands of Peter H. Clark—that greatest of educators—he made remarkable progress for one of his age. He early evinced remarkable musical ability, which was vigorously encouraged by his parents, they employing, as his inrtructors, the best professors of music obtainable in the city. After a thorough and exhaustless course of instruction he graduated under Prof. Stienfield, recognized as one of the leading teachers of music in the state. While attending school he was appointed messenger in the office of Probate Judge Gobel, where he remained eleven months; while there he had his first opportunity to display those hustling qualities that have since made him successful where others failed. It was customary among the messengers near the holidays to solicit a purse among the lawyers, judges and other attaches of the courts to buy Christmas presents. Dixon was "frozen out" by the ten white messengers on account of his color; he determined to get even, and in a short time he had the satisfaction of having collected the sum of $30.75 as against $30.00 collected by the ten white messengers. Leaving there he entered Hughes High School, one of the leading schools of the state, where his ability as a pianist was immediately reognized by his appointment to preside at the piano, which position he held during his continuance at that school. He is in constant demand at home and abroad, and no musical program is complete without his name. He has presided as organist for a short while at 7th M. E. Church, at the recent Sunday School Convention at Columbus and various other places throughout the state. At present he is the organist at Union Baptist Sunday School.

Mr. Dixon is the agent for THE FREEMAN at this place, and is regarded as one of the best, as was recently evinced by his successful contest for a gold watch valued at $60 00, presented by E. E. Cooper, editor and proprietor of THE FREEMAN, to the agent making the greatest gain in subscribers during the week previous to the holidays. Since taking charge of THE FREEMAN from a small circulation here he has graduly increased the number of subscribers till he delivers, at this writing, over 600 copies weekly. Besides his many other duties, he finds time to study the violin and is also taking lessons in mechanical drawing. Mr. Dixon is a quiet, studious young man and does not let his success turn his head, but is ever willing to assist those of the race needing instructions, and, in an humble way, do what he can to upbuild the race and show to the world that the Negro is the peer of any race on the globe.

A. H. H.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What did I get?

SANTA CLAUS' GENEROUS GIFT.

T. H. MERRIWETHER

In another column we give the portrait of Mr. Merriwether, our hustling representative of Earlington, Ky. Mr. Merriwether, although having charge of THE FREEMAN at this point but a short while, has succeeded in introducing it into the homes of almost every Afro-American family; not only this, but he succeeded in getting the subscriptions of a great many persons in and around Earlington. He is prompt and business like in his dealings with THE FREEMAN, and is the best agent that we have in Kentucky.

P. H. MURRAY.

We give in this issue the portrait of P. H. Murray, editor and proprietor of the St. Louis Advance. Mr. Murray is, properly speaking, a back number newspaper man. He belongs to the old school. He publishes the Advance when he feels like it, and lets it alone when he chooses. His style of journalism differs from that of Broad Axe Smith in that Mr. Murray does not demand a subscription for twenty years in advance. The Advance has the distinction of having more advertising than any other Afro-American journal. It is not like THE FREEMAN in that it is not an illustrated paper, and unlike the Western Appeal in that it does not try to be. It is different from most newspapers in that it appears and disappears when it chooses to.

THE TARHEEL STATE.

General News—The Legislature in Session—Business—Personals and Chit Chat.

Raleigh, N. C., Special to THE FREEMAN.

The legislature convened in this city on the 7th. inst. The Governor's Message was quite a lengthy document, but very conservative in tone. He did not, like the now noted Tillman, of our sister state, make any special mention of the Negro, from a white man's standpoint, but refered to him as a citizen, and recommended the establishment of an Agricultural and Mechanical School for the colored youth as well as the white. He also advised them to make larger appropriations for the education of the masses. We have only four colored members in the legislature this year. Since 1876 we have always had from eighteen to twenty-five; local disaffection in what is known as the "Black Counties" caused their defeat.

THE FREEMAN is on sale at the barber shobs of Thomas Taylor and Collins Walker. It is constantly increasing in popularity through the untiring efforts of its agent, J E Hamlin.

William Warrick, of Philadelphia, spent several days in the city this week looking after some property which was left him by his father, who was once a prominent Baptist minister in this city.

We can boast of two colored salesmen, R F O'Kelley, who is with the New York Clothing Company, and Frank Milligan, who is with the Monie Clothing and Dry Goods Company. Both are meeting with much success.

We have two colored physicians in this city, Dr L A Scruggs and Dr M. W Alston. Dr Scruggs, who has been here about five years, has a large practice. Dr Alston, who has recently located here, is meeting with much favor as a physician and also fills a chair at Shaw University.

TUNIUS.

A GREAT TIME.

Old Virginia Never Tire—Banquet in Style—Personals.

Staunton, Va., Special to THE FREEMAN.

Miss Brown has gone to Conneticut,

Rev. Stevenson has returned to North Carolina.

The little daughter of Mrs. J. A. Holmes is convalescent.

The Washington Conference will convene in Baltimore on March 12th.

Several of our young men, whose names we did not learn, left for Charleston this week.

A sacred entertainment was held at the Augusta street M. E. Church on Sunday afternoon.

Rev. Beckett, of the A. M. E. Church, is endeavoring to start a protracted meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Davenport and Miss Bettie Stevenson gave several musical concerts a few nights ago to crowded houses.

We were proud to see the likeness and business talent of our former young townsman, S. S. Cabell, in the last issue of the paper. We are also proud to know that he is a native of our city, and has a home in our midst and the good wishes of a host of acquaintances. The boys of our town are encouraged by seeing his efforts.

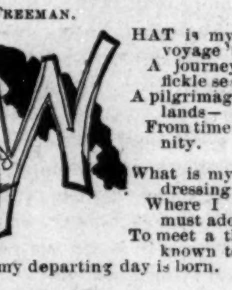
The Staunton Lodge, No. 13 A. F. and A. M. held its annual reception on January the 9th, and also received with becoming honors, a fellow brother of the lodge, who was at the recent Grand Lodge at Richmond, Va., elected Grand Master for the State of Virginia. Howard Wayt, upon whom the honor was confered, is a native of this city, and is worthy of the honor conferred. He is one of our progressive business men, and we are proud to have our city so well represented. The menu was served from Burke and Cranghan's restaurant, the leading restaurant south of Washington City, served by O. F. Johuson, prince of caters, assisted by J. B. Smith, Chief of the Culinary Department, with Ellis Minor in charge of the tables. The supper was served at 9:30 p. m. by order of Acting Marshall J. C. Whitlock, benediction by Rev. W. O. Hullien, of the Episcopal Church. A toast was given by Grand Master Wayt, which was responded to by the others. Trophies were presented to the oldest living Mason in the United States, Mr. Fuller, of this city. Followin is the bill of fare:

OYSTERS.
stowed, fried, raw, half shell.
COLD MEATS.
roulette, beef, turkey and jelly, ham, smoked tongue, roast shote and saratoga chips.
RELISHES.
Kalamazoo celery, cold slaw, mixed pickles.
DESERT.
Malaga grapes, bananas, oranges, coffee and tea.

WHAT IS MY LIFE?

BY CHAS. P. JONES.

For THE FREEMAN.



WHAT is my life? A voyage 'tis,
A journey cross a fickle sea;
A pilgrimage to better lands—
From time unto eternity.

What is my life? A dressing room,
Where I my spirit must adorn
To meet a throng unknown to me,
When my departing day is born.

What is my life? The answer comes,
A fleeting breath, a passing hour,
The mist before a morning sun,
The dew upon a morning flower.

What is my life? Yea more than these;
It is the breath of God that lives
Throughout a long eternity,
And glory to Jehovah gives.

Oh, may I make it real and true,
A life of duty and of love,
So as to blend in one the two,
This upon earth and that above.

—Little Rock, Ark.

WAR ITEMS.

Gathering up the Dead—Our Colored Troops.

Camp Wounded Knee, S. D., Special to THE FREEMAN.

War in Dakota has actually begun. Two pitched battles have been fought and a great many that lived before the 29th, ult., are at present numbered with the dead. Eight troops of the 7th cavalry, having in charge about three hundred and fifty Indians, enroute to Pine Ridge Agency, while encamped on Wounded Knee River, a place famous for ghost dances, a precipitated battle was fought between the Indians and troops. The battle commenced on Monday, the 29th, ult., at 8 a. m., and continued about five hours. Indians were found dead, men, women and children ten miles around. Troops, A. and G. 9th Cavalry, were camped at Rosebud Agency, S. D., a distance of about one hundred and ten miles from the battle ground, received a dispatch Dec. 29th at 1 p. m., to march to the scene of action under force march. After marching night and day, we reached the battle ground on the 2d day of the fight. Under special instructions from General Miles, our command was ordered to survey the battle field and count the dead. Early in the morning of the 3d, inst., we marched on the battle field about 8 a. m., and deployed and skirmished the country over for about ten miles. On this battle field men, women and children were found dead, and laying in every conceivable position; whole tepees piled in one heap; little infants lying in their mother's arms with their brains shot out; bucks found hiding in grottoes with their brains shot out, their bodies half nude; horses in harness hitched to the wagons, were found dead. The tents in which the soldiers were stationed, were burned and the Sibly stove (sheet iron), was shot full of holes. The Indians attacked the 7th Cavalry on the 1st, inst., and a few minutes' fight, the 7th became panic strieken, and were running in every direction, and only for the early arrival and rapid movement of the gallant 9th Cavalry, it would have been another Custer case. The conflict lasted about one hour and a half. The Indians, sustaining heavy losses, fled from the field rapidly, pursued by the 9th Cavalry. The Indians lost 140 killed, and 15 wounded; Troops, 1 killed and 3 wounded. At present the Indians are at a stand-still, and want no more fighting. We were employed Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, digging entrenchments and rifle pits. At present all is quiet. We want one big fight and peace will follow, and we will go back to our spring mattresses and cushioned chairs. Our friends must not forget us.

J. M. M.

THIS IS MY BUSY DAY

THE EDITOR'S TALK.

A subscriber or friend from Galesburg, Ill., has sent in $1.00, but failed to sign his name, hence we do not know how to credit it. The person will please send in his name.

The editor of this column has neither the time nor inclination to reply to the nothings and misrepresentations of a few of the "little fellows" of the press gang. We are not omniscient nor omnipresent. We do not claim perfection for ourselves, far from it. We fancy we know a thing or two, however, of which one is to attend to our own business and another is to know a good thing when we see it.

Our boys are doing well; they are selling on the streets, thereby earning money to purchase themselves books, pencils, clothes, etc. In many places bright little girls are disposing of from ten to twenty copies weekly. Our agents and correspondents will do well to have talks with our smart young people on this subject. They will constitute our reading people in later years and we should encourage them as much as possible. Yes, encourage our young people.

There is no one more conscious of what we are deficient in than ourselves and no one can possibly have better ideas of what we stand in need of to check those deficiencies. We know just what we need to enable us to formulate our ideas of what constitutes a first-class paper. But we cannot do everything in a day; Rome was not built in so short a time. Give us time and encouragement and we will do that which will enthuse every Negro in the land.

Agents and friends will send remittances promptly. It is not right to keep us waiting. If you pay when the bill is small it will not be missed as much as when paid when larger. Be prompt and business-like in your dealings. Your work is most complimentary in general; in many respects it has been beyond our most sanguine expectations. Yet, friends, don't feel offended if we call upon you to be more prompt. Visit every member of the race in your community; endeavor to get a subscription at each house visited. You can do it, we believe.

There is one thing that most do encourage us; that is the hundreds of cheering letters that come from men and women of the professions, as well as the lowly walks of life. Our clerks and type-writing machines are kept busy replying to these expressions of kind regards. These manifestations are appreciated highly and we are encouraged by them, conveying to us, as they do, the good will and well wishes of our distant friends. THE FREEMAN is here to do good, to harm no one. When it fails to speak for the oppressed, ceases to elevate, or when it stoops to the nefarious in practice it should be swept out of existence.

You will, agents, always find in this column much that is of service to you. We want you to read, reflect and endeavor to put in practice. Study up plans for increasing your circulation. Do you know that it is actually necessary for us to have our fifty thousand subscribers by March? A certain envious, imitative, unprogressive spirit that we need not name, is attempting to throw discredit upon us. Chicago, New York, Baltimore, New Orleans, St. Louis, Mobile, SanFrancisco and other places, what do you say? We have got the bull by the horns and let's firmly hold the animal. Shall we have the 50,000? To your tents, Isreal, for meditation; then out and on to victory!

Notes From Missouri towns.

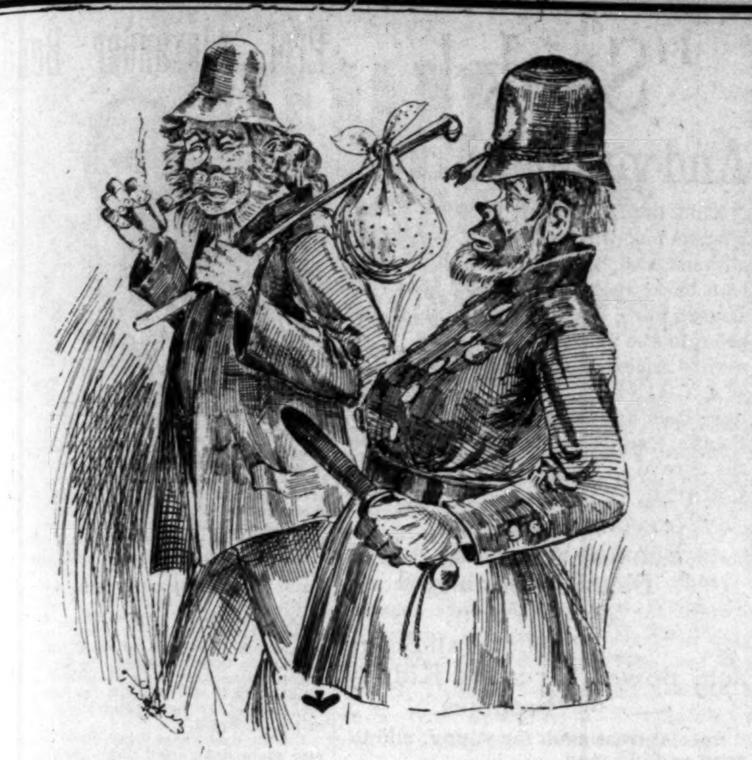
Kimmswick, Mo., Special to THE FREEMAN.

Misses Jennie, Ida and John Landford left here Tuesday morning for Jefferson City, where they will attend school.——It is reported that the colored Manual Training School will be located here, it being only 21 miles South of St Louis.

Crystal City, Mo., Special to THE FREEMAN

We have here 3,000 inhabitants including Festus, an adjoining town, and about 500 of them are colored in town and on the borders.——We have three colored churches, three school houses, one Masonic Hall; most of these buildings have been built in the last six months. The colored people are fast coming to the front; the most of them own their property.

L. F.



THE TRIALS OF A SCION.

O'Googan: "Sure afther letting me hair grow that long, 'till I hey the brains to write for the papers it seems ivery ting I write was pussinal."
Officer Billy Lamer: "Phy didn' ye write other wans?'
O'Googan: "I cudn't tell until I submitted thim they was pussinal.'
Officer Billy Lamer: "How could yez tell thin?"
O'Googan: "Aisy, aisy, aisy nuff, they would'nt print thim."

A FRUIT FEAST.

A Grand Time—Personal.

Washington, Ga., Special to THE FREEMAN.

There was a fruit feast given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Jarrett, by the members of the "Young Boys' Club," recently. It was said to be the best thing of its kind ever attempted by our young colored men. Chas. A. Wingfield and Mrs. Anna Jarrett were at the head of it, and the following guests were present: C. A. Wingfield, Nettie I. Stith, J. H. Jarrett, Mary M. Harris, M. J. Wingfield, Emma Sutton, Neil Ware, S. L. Sherman, J. H. Graves, Lewis Wingfield, J. H. James, Katie M. Sutton, T. M. Gresom, Bessie Pettus, Kimb. Mickins, Gertrude Bonner, Wm. Scott, Mamie Bowyer, Joe Dubose, Lela Binns, C. Butler, Cora Mickins, Willis Dubose, Lizzie Ellis, Geo. Bowyer, Nora E. Scott, Luke Wooten, Josephine Lynn, Anderson Barnett, Jennie Booker, Duncan Garey, Katie Harris, Alex. Simpson, Mary M. Geldings, J. H. Butler, Daisy Nelson, Madams Thos. Lesesene, Kittie Graves, Martha Bonner, Phenie Binns, Betsie Bonner, Alex. Pettus and others.

Marshal Buggs is still sick.

J. H. Henderson has recoved.

H. M. Bonner has been in the city.

Paul Eggleston, of Madison, is in the city.

Miss Mariah Robertson has returned to Augusta.

For fresh fish and meat of various kinds, go to Frank Branham's beef market, 1 Whitehall street.

For the very best groceries at lowest prices, call on Wilkinson, Hawkins & Wilkinson, 9 Whitehall street.

Felix Stokes and Miss Phoenie Gresom were married at the residence of Joseph Merrion on Thursday night, Jan. 8th.

Miss Mary Harris will leave for her home in Sparta, on Saturday, and is likely to be accompanied by Miss Nettie Stith.

Rev. A. W. Upshaw, of Camden, N. J., gave a grand lecture on the "Nation race's probelm," at the A. M. E. Church, on Jan. 8th.

Chas. Stokes and Miss Mariah Harris were united in the holy estate of matrimony on Thursday evening, at 4 o'clock, at Springfield.

C. A. W.

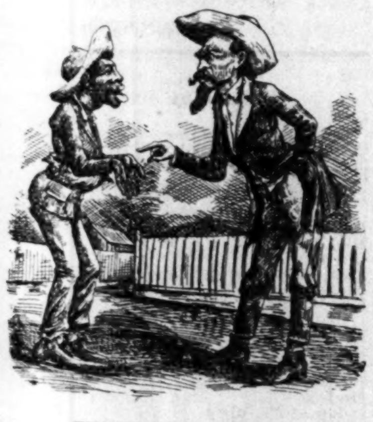
A SKETCH CLUB.

Afro-Americans Demand a Fire Company and Police Representation.

St. Louis, Mo., Special to THE FREEMAN.

A number of our most prominent citizens met Tuesday night and organized a club designed to elevate the local drama. The organization will be called the Sketch Club. The officers are: president, James W. Grant; vice president, Richard Byron; secretary, John Vashon; treasurer, William H. Dorsey; corresponding secretary, Richard A. Huldlin. The public will expect great things from this aggregation of talent.

During the last week of December the officers of All Saints' Episcopal Church paid the second $500 for the year on the church debt. This reduction made at the rate of $1000 per annum, will speedily make All Saints' Church independent. Rapid progress has marked Elder Wasson's connection with this parish, and the effect on the community at large is altogether for the good



THE VENTRILOQUIST.

"Say Dick, this settles it. You have been in my chicken house."
Dick: "Look here boss, you's got dat to prove, kase I ain't been near yo'r chickin house."
B: "Well Dick, what is that cacklin in your bosom?"
Dick: "Goodness sake, boss, don't you know I's er 'triloquist (ventriloquist).

The Negroes of this city are going to make an effort to obtain a colored fire department and to have at least twenty-five members of the race on the police force. This depends entirely for whom the Negro casts his vote in the coming spring election. This will present a fine opportunity of determining whether the Negro is interested in the elevation and success of the race in general, or whether he wishes to continue in his present state.

BRIDGE.

AN EXCELLENT COMMUNICATION.

Improvement of the Teachers and Schools—Churches Growing in Usefulness—Read Race Journals That Protect our Homes.

Milton, Fla., Special to THE FREEMAN.

We are glad to say that we are prosperous and happy. Christmas and the beginning of the New Year have passed and we are yet trying to ascend the Mound. Our schools are vigorous and progressive. The county has adopted some very appropriate rules for the government of teachers. The teachers are not allowed to turn the children back in their books at the beginning of each scholastic year, as a great many teachers have done heretofore; but will have to start them from the point in which they were left by their predecessor. By this method the children are compelled to be advanced much faster.

The school population of the two schools in Milton numbers about three hundred and fifty. That of Woodville number about one hundred and twenty-five. Teachers are required to keep up with the times. The race is advancing in science and literature, as well as in population; therefore we, as teachers, have to undergo more rigid examinations every year. But we are glad to say that not one of our teachers failed on the last examination. Our churches are moving on grandly. Mt. Pilgrim Baptist Church, of which Elder H. Henderson is pastor, has recently received and baptised seventy, and restored twenty-six. The A. M. E. Zion Church, of which Elder W. H. Smith is pastor, has recently received and baptised thirty-seven and restored several. Elder Smith has made decided improvements on his church since he has been its pastor. He is preparing for the Annual Conference, which will convene at his church the second Wednesday in February. Bishop Lomax will preside. There will be present many eloquent speakers from different states, among whom will be the Hon. J. C. Price, and J. C. Dancy, of North Carolina.

Miss O. F. Smith, a student of the State Normal school at Tallahassee, is with us; she is second principal of the Milton School No. 1, and is acting her part well.

M. G. Daniels, a student of the Tuskeege Normal School, who spent the Christmas holidays here, with his mother and friends, has returned with the purpose of graduating.

The colored Masons of this place, a few weeks ago, lost a fine hall by fire. It is thought that it was set on fire by some vicious person. They are making rapid strides in preparing to rebuild. They will receive aid from all of their white brethern and from their sister lodges.

Every colored citizen of the United States ought to subscribe for some good colored newspaper, and especially THE FREEMAN. In this case we should take example after the Caucasian race. They subscribe for their own race journals, and as soon as their children are far advanced enough to read, those journals are placed in their hands and they are constantly supplied with some good literature from the hands of their own race and people. Colored friends! read your own race journals. Know what your own people are doing, and patronage your lawyers, doctors, merchants. One good newspaper in the home it defends, is worth to that home, one thousand of others that are continually pointing a finger of scorn and ridicule. Subscribe for THE FREEMAN and other good race journal and thus help to build up your race.

PERUS.

COLLEGE MOVED.

Teachers—Resignation—Personals.

Little Rock, Ark., Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Arkansas Baptist College, a school solely owned and controlled by the Negro Baptists of this state, having entered the new building on their own grounds, is having its most successful session. Prof. Jas. A. Brooker, A. B., for several years its principal, is a man of great excessive ability.

Bethel University has been moved to Arkadelphia, Ark., from its former seat in this city.

Rev. W. O. Keith resigned the pastorate of the Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church Sunday, January the 4th.

Miss Lillie Barber, of Alton, Ill., spent the holidays with her sister, Fannie E. Barber, of this place. Miss Fannie is a very highly respected character in the public schools of that city.

The teachers, ministers and a few of the other elite of the city have formed a club for pursuing the Chatauqua Course. Mrs. J. G. is president and Prof. C. C. Riley is secretary.

AN INDUSTRIOUS COMMUNITY.

Schools—Personals—Business.

Bowling Green, Ky., special to THE FREEMAN.

Bowling Green is a small town situated on the Big Barren River. The population is estimated to be 10,000. The people are industrious, thrifty and prosperous. While we do not boast of many manufacturers, yet the city is alive with various business interests. The government has recently granted to the city the free delivery system; the old system of going to the Post Office has been abandoned. Our public schools consists of one large commodious brick building with a corps of nine teachers. Prof, C. C. Bennett occupies the position of principal, which was recently made vacant by the resignation of Prof. W. Ferguson, who was called to a clerkship in the War Department at Washington. The school continues in its flourishing condition with an average attendance of nearly five hundred pupils. The teachers are Misses M. E. Woodson, Maggie O. Harris, Lizzie Loving, Hanah Briggs, Althea Younger and Messrs. M. J. Nichols, William Jackson and W. W. Wilson. Misses Nichols and Harris spent the holidays in Nashville, Tenn., with their parents. Miss Nichols has not yet returned on account of illness. Authur Ferguson, oldest son of Prof. Ferguson, is filling the vacancy. It is a significant fact that on State street within a stone's throw of our public school are situated the two High Schools, the Presbyterian Institute and Baptist Academy.

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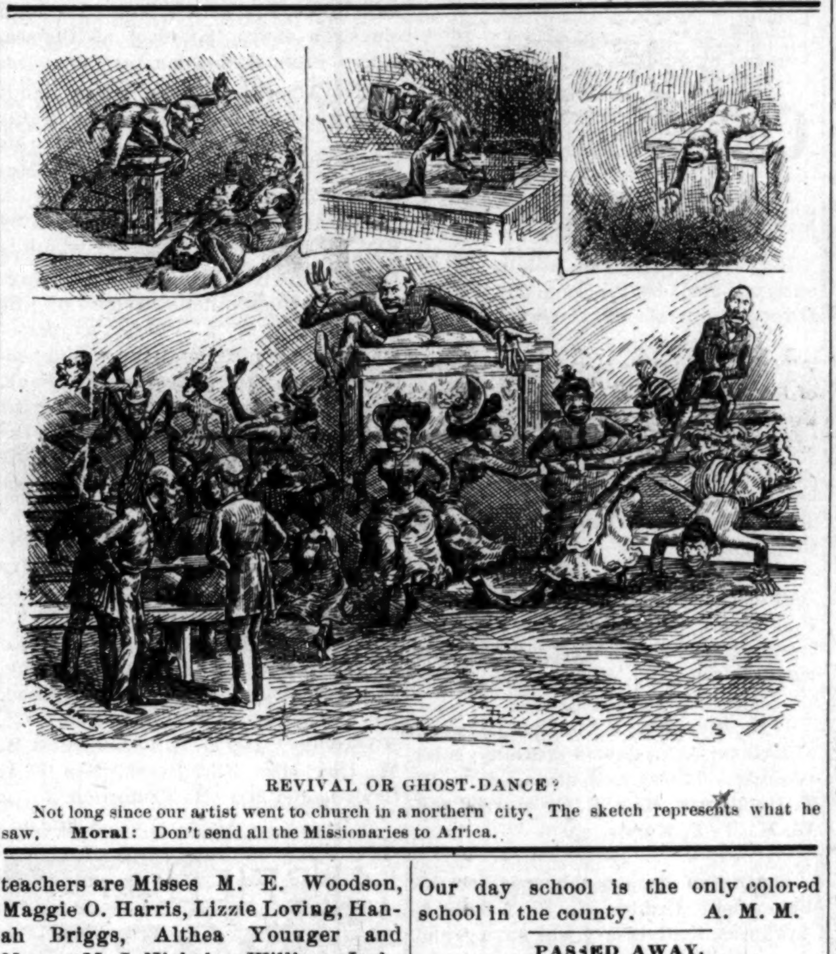


REVIVAL OR GHOST-DANCE?

Not long since our artist went to church in a northern city. The sketch represents what he saw. **Moral:** Don't send all the Missionaries to Africa.

THE LONE STAR STATE.

A good Place for Colored People.

Tunis, Tex., Special to THE FREEMAN.

We have readers of THE FREEMAN in our county and it is destined to take the lead here. Our people are not up with the times in every respect; but in the words of a little boy to Gen. Fisk, "we are rising," We have some worthy men in our county, and we want to sketch their lives and send you their subscriptions, at an early date. The young men of Tunis have organized, and are preparing to celebrate emancipation day which is the 19th, of June. We have organized a brass band and have secured the services of a competent teacher. Here is the place for the colored people of the thickly settled states, to come and secure homes. Fine lands and healthy climate. The people here received quite a fright, on account of a report of small pox, in Houston. The Negro American is accumulating property very fast in Burlison county.

Lodge News.

New Bedford, Mass., Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Robert S. Shaw Post, 146 G A R has elected the following officers: Commander, George G Fisher; L V C Lindsey Turber, J V C, Bachariah Colwell; Adjutant, Charles H Harrison; L M, George Laws; Surgeon, Joseph Wilson; Chaplain, Rev William H Johnson; O D, William H Johnson; O Y, James Casey; L M, James Fairweather; L M S, Joseph Mindo, O S, John Phillips; P S, Alanson Wallace; Delegate to State Convention, George Laws; Alternate, Linsey Turber.

Andrew M Bush, Jr., of this city, is again making a struggle for honors. He led his class at the recent examination in the medical department of the Howard University, Washington, D. C. He did the same in the high school here, always keeping at or close to the head of his class.

At a meeting of the Petomska Lodge, No. 1518, G U O of O F, of New Bedford, Mass., the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: P U T, J P York; U F, A R Douglas; R U G, B Magnet; U G, William B Smith; P S, George P Law; E S, G W Ames; Treasurer, William H Carney; Chaplain, R H Carter; Advocate, D B Allen; I G, William H Wiggins; B S N G, Wm H King; R S V G, George F Bailey; L S V G, Gilman A King; Warden, Augustus Dakins.

AMONG ORANGE GROVES.

They are not Scullions but Thrifty Business People.

Mantee City, Fla., Special to THE FREEMAN.

Every body seems to have fallen in love with your paper. Your agent is selling to the whites as well as colored. You are aware of the fact that Mantee is in the southern part of Florida; for that, and similar reasons, strangers think it an "out of the way" place. We have one daily and one tri weekly steamers plying between here and the "Gate City," Tampa.

Jeffery Bolding is the wealthiest colored man in this country, he owns more than 900 head of cattle, and also two of the finest lots in the city. There is only a few colored people in this county, not more than 150. Most of them have homes of their own and a few are in possession of orange groves, from which they derive a handsome income. We have two churches; A. M. E. and Missionary Baptist; three Lodges, Masonic, Odd Fellows and Good Templars. Rose Bud Lodge, No. 64, celebrated on the 27th in great style. Our day school is the only colored school in the county.

A. M. M.

PASSED AWAY.

A Very Brutal White Man.

Talladega, Ala., Special to THE FREEMAN.

We regret the death of our good citizen, Deacon Moses Hardwick, who died Wednesday, Jan. 7. He was well known in this community as a man of pure christian integrity, and one who was highly esteemed by all who knew him. He leaves a large family to which we render our sympathy:

God has summoned the old soldier,
From the ranks of christian men;
He has taken him to Heaven,
There to dwell and live with Him.

Grown old in this world's battle,
Grown old in christian strife;
Christ now gives the good old soldier,
In His Kingdom—a crown of life.

Lived and died a brave old soldier;
Ever watchful, on his guard,
Against all evil and temptation,
Now, at last, he lives with God.

A little fight took place between a little colored and white girl, on the principal street in town, and the latter got the worst of it. But to the disgust of all, the little colored girl was afterward flogged by a white gentleman (?), rather a coward, and not a man. Is this the nineteenth century? Such things should not be tolerated. We only ask justice. Get all the money and property we can, and in the future we shall always meet such men in Philippi.

JUPITER.

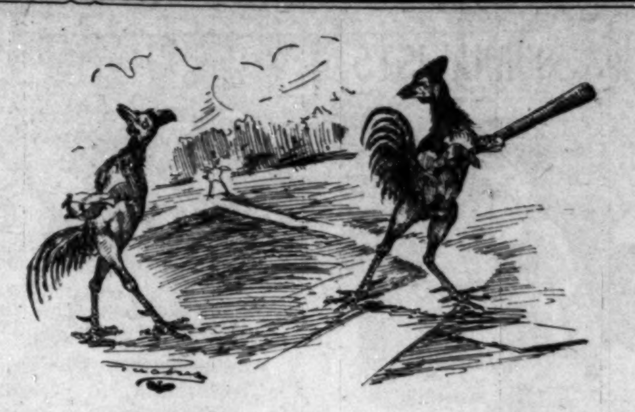
Obituary.

Mobile, Ala., Special to THE FREEMAN.

The funeral of Mrs. Lillie Washingington, the wife of G. F. Washington, took place Sunday evening, Jan. 4, at the Zion A. M. E. Church, at 3 o'clock. The sermon was preached by Rev. H. R. Gaines. Deceased died in the triumph of faith. She was a high and honored member of the Independent Order of Good Samaritan and Daughters of Samaria. The order turned out in full uniform, numbering about 450.

From this world our beloved has gone
To meet above the Heavenly throng;
Safely in the Shepherd's fold,
Where peace and glory are untold.

C. L. W.



SOME GAME CHICKENS.

THE CITY OF ROCKS.

The Celebration—New Year's Festivities Hon. John M. Langston—Personals.

Nashville, Tenn., Special to THE FREEMAN.

The holidays are now over and business is assuming its usual condition. Christmas was a glowing day. There were the usual number of Christmas parties, minus dancing. The big time with us was Emancipation Day. Great preparations were made for a street parade, but the day was a repetition of Christmas. However the military and civic orders, followed by a hundred vehicles decorated with trade displays, would not be out done. At high noon they march from the Capitol through the principal streets to St. Paul A. M. E. Church, where the procession disbanded. The procession, was imposing, Hon. John M. Langston, M. C., made the principal address, followed by Hon. S. H. McElwee. The occasion at night was worthy the occasion. But owing to the weather and a celebration at a public hall in another part of the city, where dancing was indulged in, the audience was rather small.

Mrs. Wm. Crawford died Monday night.

Mrs. Lou Bell has returned from Louisville.

Preston Taylor played his part well as chief marshal.

Prof. W. H. Perry, of Louisville, Ky., spent part of the holidays with us.

Madams J. M. Langston and J. C. Napier returned from St. Louis in time for the big celebration.

Miss Mattie Nickol, of Bowling Green, spent the holidays here with her mother; Miss. B. Foster accompanied her.

The following persons kept open houses New Years: Mrs. T. B. Caldwell, assisted by Misses Bessie Brady, Luly Reynolds, M. K. Hill, H. Caruthers, Edith and Josie Caldwell, Irbia Cables, Madams P. A. Balentyne, I. N. Crosthwait and S. A. McElwee. Mrs. Alfred Maney, assisted by Misses Callie Maney, Minnie Jackson, A. A. Ridley, Fanny Hailey, Madams Alice Sumner, Lizzie Jackson, Annie Stoddard, Lou Bell, and J. F. Seay.

MAUD S.

Quaker Dots.

Philadelphia, Penn., Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Firm Leaf Social club of young ladies of high standing society: Miss Sallie Fleming, president; Vice President, Miss Helen White; Secretary, Miss Lillie Capps; Treasurer, Miss Annie E Banton; members, Misses Blanchie Songrow, Addie C Cooper, Julia 'Capps, Idell Williams, Nellie Reeves.

Thomas H Boldin, 519 South 9th street, is one of our great flower merchant. He has an extensive trade, serving flowers at different parts of the city among the colored people.

J Sweeney is an expert colored tailor; he has an excellent trade among white and colored; he is called one of the finest.

We have four or five undertakers, Mrs Dutrell, Mr Foster, Mr Almond and Mr Irons of West Philadelphia.

Frank Van has a flourishing business on 16th street, below Lombard.

J. J. M.

NEW YEAR'S AT THE CAPITOL.

A New Correspondent Sends Us an Account of How the Day was Observed.

Washington, D. C., Special to THE FREEMAN.

The great event of the year, from a social standpoint, took place the 1st, instant. Though the habit of calling on New Year's is becoming obsolete elsewhere, here it is observed as of yore. From the President of the United States, to the humblest citizen, in some way, celebrated New Year by keeping open house on the 1st. Indeed the custom of holding a public reception at the Executive Mansion on the first day of each year, is naturally followed by the citizens, who receive their friends upon such occasions.

The writer has been a sojourner at the National Capitol during the past twenty years, and for that period of time he has been to the White House with thousands of others, on January 1st, about seventeen times. Upon no similar occacion was the White House so magnificently decorated as it was on the 1st, instant.

President Harrison stood in the Blue Room, with Mrs. Harrison on his right, assisted by Mrs. Secretary Noble and other ladies of the Cabinet, and received the members of the Cabinet, the Diplomatic Corps, the officers of the Army and Navy, the Justices of the Supreme Courts of the United States and of the District of Columbia, the Grand Army of the Republic, the oldest inhabitants and the general public. The Executive Mansion had just been completely renovated and electric lights introduced. The beautiful attire of the ladies and the brilliant interior decorations of the Executive Mansion, showed to great advantage under the electric lights. After wishing the President and Mrs. Harrison a hearty happy new year, the thousands of callers involuntarily lingered in the East room, enchanted by the luxurious grandeur of the house of the Chief Magistrate of the Nation.

The fashionable colored people also kept open houses, and the interior of their homes is second to none at the Capitol.

Capital of the Montezumas.

Mexico City, Mexico, Special to THE FREEMAN.

I have been rounding up the city for the last week. I am glad to say that I find our business men of color very busy. By force they will compel themselves to subscribe for THE FREEMAN. They claim it to be the one and the only colored journal ever published in the United States. They appreciate it very highly in every respect,

A. J. F.

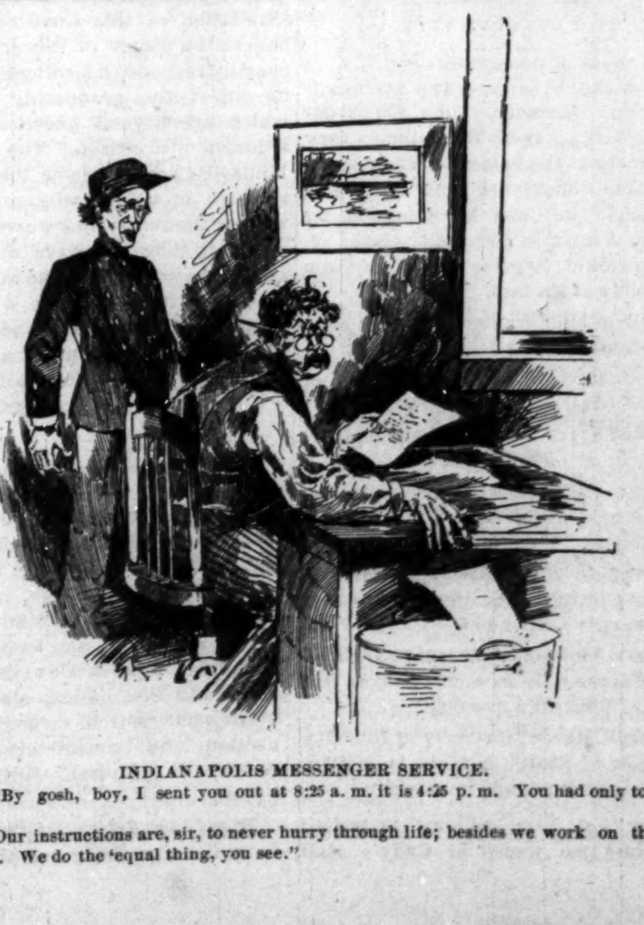
"From Frederick's Gleaming Spire"

Frederick, Md., Special to THE FREEMAN.

We have received THE FREEMAN here and we are much pleased with it. Well we have nothing much to boast of as yet, save the great Western Maryland Land and Investment Company, a colored organization with a capital stock of $50,000, and our very popular churches and ministers. Rev N M Carroll is pastor of Asbury M E church with its immense congregation. Rev Charles H Yong, the energetic young pastor, has charge of Quinns' A M E church, which is the finest church site in our city.

H. E. Y.

A woman of Hiawatha, Kan., hired a poor woman to wash for her at 15 cent an hour, and while the washerwoman was at work, turned the clock back an hour and a half.



INDIANAPOLIS MESSENGER SERVICE.

Send.—"By gosh, boy, I sent you out at 8:25 a. m. it is 4:25 p. m. You had only to go eigh squares!"

Boy.—"Our instructions are, sir, to never hurry through life; besides we work on the eight hour system. We do the 'equal thing, you see."

OUR JOURNALISTS AND LITERARY FOLKS.

Miss Hallie Q. Brown gave an elocutionary entertainment ot Allen Chapel at Camden, N. J., last week.

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Rev. Prof Hart, who has had charge of the Pocahontas Va., schools, addressed a literary society last week.

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On the 22nd of December a most magnificent concert was given to the friends of the Colored High School, of East Rome, Ga.

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Howard Jackson, who has been teaching at Davisville, N. J., has been appointed to a clerkship in a Philadelphia post office.

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A new school house has been erected at Ridge Springs, S. C. Miss A. J. Watson is principal, assisted by Miss Inessa Johnson, both being excellent teachers.

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The students of the Normal Department of Talladega College, Ala., gave an entertainment lately consisting intirely of Scotch history and literature.

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The Industrial School of the St. Charles Ave. Church, N. O., was presented with a fine piano by S. Hamilton, the Pittsburg Piano Manufacturer.

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The State Normal School of Ala., located at Huntsville, observed Emancipation Day, Jan. the 1st with appropriate services. A very interesting and practical discourse was delivered.

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Prof. D. A. Straker, of Detroit, Mich., on the occasion of the St. Mathews' Lyceum lately delivered a very strong address on "Social Development," which was well received by a large audience.

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Mexican Simmons, a most promising student of Claflin University, S. C., took a severe cold a few weeks ago and died December the 12th. A series of resolutions were drawn up by his classmates and forwarded to his parents.

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A very strong law partnership has been formed in Dallas, Texas. The firm consists of Judge T. Bailey, A. M. Ph. D., and C. A. Rideout, L. L. B. of the State University of Michigan. They start out with very favorable prospects.

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A St. Louis newspaper claims that Hale G. Parker, principal of a colored school in St. Louis, made a strong remonstrance against the naming of the buildings in honor of prominent colored men, preferring the names of prominent white men.

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The Baptist Seminary at Independence, Mo., under the charge of Prof. Wilton R. Boone, B. D., with the assistance of Prof. William F. Smith, late of Harn Academy, Texas, is making remarkable progress. The attendence is increasing rapidly.

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The Marriages of Dr. Thomas L. Curtis, of Alabama, and Miss Lucy Simmington and that of Rev. J. T. Gilmore and Miss T. C. Grant in Chattanooga, Tenn., recently were said to be the greatest events that ever took place in that city.

THE DIAMOND CITY.

News of General Interest.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Special to THE FREEMAM.

Wilson Dunmore, of Shepardstown, W. Va., spent the holidays very pleasantly at the home of his nephew and niece, John Smith and Miss Ella Williams; he was accompanied by Wilson Arnett, of the same place. A very pleasant surprise was given them on Friday night last.

William B. Wedlock has gone to Philadelphia.

In our next we will have an item of interest to all.

S. R. Logan, who has been dangerously ill, is convalescent.

There will be missionary services at the Bethel Church next Sunday, commencing at 2:30 p. m.

Owing to the protracted efforts at Bethel Church the literary has been temporarily suspended.

James Jackson, Jr., was the winner in the three mile race at Cady's Hall on last Thursday evening.

Joseph Mason, formerly of this city, but now of Peoria, Illinois, is visiting relatives and friends in this city.

The Zion Fair, which has been in progress two weeks at Cady's Hall, closed on Monday. The success was not so great as anticipated.

Anges Tucker, who recently went to Denver, Col., to "teach the young idea how to shoot," spent the holidays with her people here.

S. F.

NATIONAL Y. M. C. A.'s OF U. S.

An Appeal.

Louisville, Ky., Special to THE FREEMAN.

All movemens of reform and progress have their obstacles and difficulties to surmount. Progress in science has many opposers; Darwin, Huxley and Tyndal have found no favor in their researches and investigations, however meritorious might have been their intentions if in advance of the age. History teems with its sufferers for justice and right. The Y. M. C. A. has its opposers, but like all other righteous movements, regardless of its opposers, is moving on. Since its foundation it has steadily grown until there are associations in almost every hamlet in this county and abroad. The object then of this appeal, is to further, foster and protect a work so grandly and auspiciously begun. The National Y. M. C. A. is desirous of erecting a building suitable to the association and transaction of its business in connection with the different local Y. M. C. A.'s of the country. This appeal is not in opposition to any christian organization of the country, but a manifestation on the part of the members of the National Y. M. C. A. of color to construct for their individual purposes. The building for which this appeal is made is to be located at Louisville, Ky., the site selected by the National Convention as the headquarters. While it may be large in design, is perfectly natural in character. To the end of its completion, we make this appeal to the people of this country, believing that they will, as they have heretofore, respond to the appeal with that generosity which so characterizes the American people in behalf of right. As colored people we make this appeal. We are practically debarred from the privileges of the other associations in this country, and to further prosecute the aim of the convention and try to fulfill the requisites necessary for the furtherance of this christian work, we have started out with the assurance that in our behalf the people will give us a charitable response. In our circumscribed condition, we have had a grand and glorious success. Starting with but few, we now aggregate a number of over 600; hence the necessity will be seen of enlargening the accommodations, that such work might not be retarded for want of means for its own success. Having but launched out but a few years, and then when the country had been devastated by war, grief and poverty were its only revenue, we were ushered, without money, without education, without any resource but hands of toil which have been so industriously used in accomplishing our present station. However humble it may be, it is evidence of thrift, of energy and industry. The race, beyond contradiction, has achieved a success which is almost phenomenal. The religious, moral and financial conditions of the Negro are improving each year, and as the Y. M. C. A. is established for the purpose of fostering the religious and moral character of the people, we therefore make this appeal, believing that upon these two principles the true character of a people is formed. We believe the people of the United States will assist us in this worthy object; we believe that the people of this country will generously respond to a call which has for its aim principles which underlie the foundation of this Government. We believe the people of this country will heartily respond to a call which has for its object the graduating principles which are beyond question the best adjuncts of a citizen. The citizens of Louisville have in some instances, responded to us liberally, and to them we are thankful; but we extend this appeal to those who have not assisted, and as the country has so many frauds who have imposed upon a charitable people, the treasurer stands ready to give bond to any amount as evidence of honesty and trustworthiness.

ALBERT MACK,
Chief.

Creates a Sensation.

Kansas City, Mo., Special to THE FREEMAN.

The greatest sensation ever known in religious circles in this city was created Sunday morning, January 4, when Mrs. John Rowe, one of the wealthiest and most prominent ladies in the city, who has been identified with the Baptist Church for forty years, and Mrs. Fields, also a member of the same church, severed their connection, and immediately joined the A. M. E. Church, Dr. Schaffer, pastor.

Miss Clara Trusty, of Leavenworth, is in the city, the guest of Miss Lulu Jones.——Miss Cora Minor, of Leavenworth, Kan., is the guest of Miss Maude Jones.——Miss "Toad" Walker has returned from a visit to Higginsville.——N. C. Crews is our leading young orator.——J. H. Wheeler is despondent.——Geo. W. Day is thinking of going to Spokane Falls, Wash., to reside.——Mrs. M. E. Nero spent a few days at Olathe, Kas., Christmas.——THE FREEMAN is very popular here. All like to read it.——Mrs. Callie Towson has returned from Lincoln, Neb.——Miss Nash, of St. Louis, Mo., is in the city.——Read THE FREEMAN.

LE BEAU.

He Wanted "Black Folk's Cloth."

Talladega, Ala., Special to THE FREEMAN.

J. M. Louis' ware-house was burned down this week.——The colored people here are buying homes very rapidly; we hope they will not go through the process of using other peoples' money and lose their homes.——A white man came into a store where I was trading the other day and asked for some cloth to make black folk's dresses. I hope "black folks" will buy their own dresses——The northern brick layers will not work with a Negro on the wall, but the southern white brick layers will.——The students are returning to school rapidly, getting ready for hard work the next six months.

Notes From the West.

Aurora, Neb., Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Indian war is the most galling one on the minds of the home guards, for they expect to be ordered out any moment. The ghost won't down at promises, when starving. The Indian youths are being educated and given trades, then sent back to the same old tribe, with access to nothing but the forest.

Aurora has a Negro population of 29 Afro-Americans, they are alive, considering their chances; one barber shop, one contractor, E. W. Ellis; one grave digger, B. Jones, one A. M. E. Church. THE FREEMAN is welcomed by all.

G. S. B.

Lodges, Clubs and Societies.

[NOTICE—Lodge secretaries are requested to send us reports, annual proceedings and published accounts of lodge doings.]

Rain prevented the holding of an entertainment by the Immaculates at Huntsville, Alabama, last week.

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The Gem Club, a social organization of Kansas City, Mo. gave a musical and literary concert on the 25th, Christmas.

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Joseph Jackson, a prominent member of the national order of Knights of Tabor, died, and was buried at Kansas City, Mo.

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Philip C. Edwards, M. V. P., K. of P., of Philadelphia, has just returned from a trip to the West Indies, his native home.

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J. M. Alexander's Lodge of Masons, of Helena, Ark., gave a pleasant social recently. It was well managed by R. T. Henderson, Rev. E. C. Morris and W. M., T. T. Morris.

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Because of disagreeable weather the Benevolent Order's, No. 2, of Helena, Arkansas, anniversary was not a grand success. No new officers were installed as per expectation.

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The following are the officers of Ocala Lodge, No. 62, F. & A. M., of Ocala, Florida, for the ensuing year: W. M., John O. Williams; S. W., W. Hoard, J. W., Z. B. Walker; Treasurer, L. R. Garrison; Secretary, Arthur Spindle; Tyler, Joseph Sullivan.

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On Thursday, January 1st, the H. K. Boyer Club, of Philadelphia, formerly the Comet Social, gave their eleventh annual reception at their cozy little club house, Tenth street, above South; the interior was heavily decorated with bunting, presenting a very cheerful appearance. The club spared no pains to make an evening of pleasure to all their invited guests.

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At a special communication of the colored Masonic Lodge, of Gainesville, Georgia, the following were installed officers for the ensuing year: J. R. Feamster, W. M.; C. Joiner, S. W.; Romeo Brisban, J. W.; A. L. Pierce, secretary; J. Kendrick, treasurer; F. J. Storey, S. D.; C. Murray, J. D.; Mm. Duval, Tyler; District Deputy, T. W. Hawkins, P. M's., W. A. Waters and R. E. Shivery officiated.

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At the annual communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania on December 8th, in Masonic Hall, 409 South Eleventh street, Philadelphia, the following Grand officers were duly elected for the ensuing year: R. W. Grand Master, John W. Simpson, of Harrisburg; R. W. D. G. Master, R. Moore, of West Chester; R. W. G., Sr. Warden; the Rev. John W. St. Rausberry, of Philadelphia; R. W. G., J. Warden, Robert Brady, of Pittsburg; R. W. G. Treasurer, Pusey A Peer, Sr. of Philadelphia; R. W. G. Secretary, Wm. H. Miller, of Philadelphia.

LAND OF DISFRANCHISEMENT.

An Interesting Letter from Mississippi.

Aberdeen, Miss., Special to THE FREEMAN.

Aberdeen and Monroe county's population ranges between 3,500 and 4,000; nearly one-third of which is colored. The Afro-Americans hereabouts are helping to solve the race problem, by acquiring property and educating their sons and daughters. Prominent among the representative colored men of this town are Messrs. Sam Blevins, Sampson Brack, H. R. Terrel and Geo. Mitchell. Mr. Blevins, it is said, is worth not less than $5,000. His trade is that of furniture dealer. Mr. Brack has a handsome capital and a steady income. His trade is that of a first class tonsorial artist. Messrs. Terrel and Mitchell are grocers, and receive a good patronage from the race. We have many others in the rural districts who make a good showing in the way of real estate and personal property. Messrs. J. W. Tatum, W. G. McMillan, Joe Boone and Nat. Whitfield own and control over 950 acres of land. Mr. Tatum being the climax. There are many others who own from two to thirty acres. The south part of Aberdeen is named "Freedman's" town, on account of its being owned almost exclusively by Afro-Americans.

"The Aberdeen Advance" is the name of of a paper which has just entered the journalistic field at the place. It is ably edited by Profs. Thompsom and Clay.

That religion is appreciated, is shown by hearing the voices of the bells throughout the land on the christian Sabbath. Where bells are scarce, an old cow's horn or a tin bugle is used to signalize them.

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Afro-Americans have three handsomely built houses of worship in this place. The Baptist Church of this town is pastored by Elder L. D. McAllister; the M. E. Church by Rev. J. W. Parks, and the A. M. E. Church by Rev. H. L. Lewis. Each of which is well pastored.

Among the eminent divines of this place is Rev. W. E. Parker, a gentleman whose picture and life would certainly grace THE FREEMAN's columns. Rev. Parker is gifted with wonderful eloquence as a speaker. He uses the choicest language Where he goes along he always makes an unerasible impression.

The educational advantages of Aberdeen and Monroe county are very good. Prof. H. M. Thompson, a well trained son of Roger Williams University, Nashville, Tenn., is principal of the Aberdeen Colored Academy, and also of the county schools, colored. His able corps of assistants are, Prof. N. R. Clay, Miss Q. B. Parish, Miss M. W. Cox, Miss Ada Brack, Mrs. V. S. Carlisle and Mrs. M. Thompson.

APOLLO.

THE FIELD OF SPORT.

The Black Pearl will open up a fine saloon in Minneapolis.

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Isaac Murphy, the jockey, who has been quite ill during the holidays, is rapidly improving.

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Peter Jackson was not in the best of health when he arrived from Australia, but has improved greatly.

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The V. V. V. Club, of Charlottesville, Va., gave their second annual full dress ball and banquet, January 1st.

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Peter Jackson is to fight Frank Slavin for the world's championship at the Melbourne Athletic Club in the near future.

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A match between the Jacksonville and Ocala nines at Semi-Tropical, Fla. resulted in a victory for the former by a score of 3 to 1.

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C. C. Roberts and E. Burnett, of Ocala, Florida, went gaming. They succeeded in bagging 16 quails and doves in eight shots. They claim that game is plentiful where they went.

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Henry Reed and Joseph Gallon, of the Wabash base ball club, of Chester, Pa., gave their fourth annual dinner in honor of George L. Williams, captain of the York base ball club and champion of the Inter-state League.

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The directors of the California Athletic Club, at a meeting, decided to match Jim Corbett and Peter Jackson for a contest to finish, to take place before the club next May. The purse is to be for $10,000—$8,500 of which will go to the winner. Both pugilists are now in San Francisco and have signified their willingness to accept the terms.

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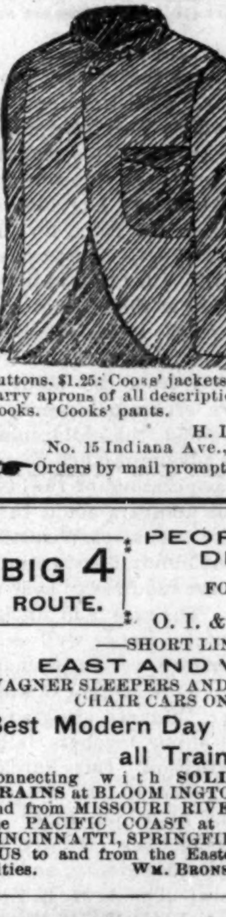

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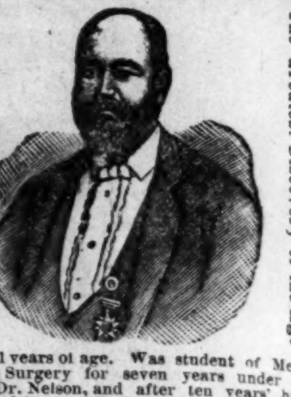

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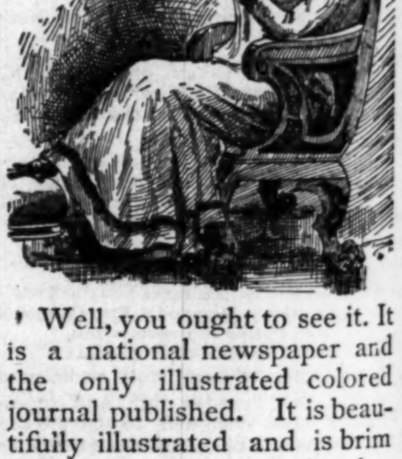

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The Association News has the usual amount of religious news and notes. Philadelphia Y. M. C. A. publishers.

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The American Art' Journal for December is most excellently illustrated and the reading matter is very choice.

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The following pamphlets have been received: "Triumph of the Gospel," by J. A. Barton; "The Devil and his Angels," by R. R. Godfrey.

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No publication of the kind can excel The Scientific American. Its January number is most profuse in illustrations. It issues also a beautiful colored supplement. Price 25 cts.

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In the Spellman Messenger are found one or two readable articles; one—"What I wish my character to be twenty years hence," is a short essay by a young lady

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No.2 Vol. 1 Quarterly Bulletin is a publication sent out by the Gammon Theological Seminary. Its principal article is "The place of Truth in the Christian System" by G. B. Strickler, D. D., of Atlanta, Ga.

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The January number of The National Afor-American assumes a different form from the previous numbers. It has several interesting articles and seems to be improving in merit. J. W. Menard, editor and publisher, Washington, D. C.

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The annual report of the Post Master General has been received. It is full of the usual facts and figures relative to that important branch of the government. There are many very practical suggestions which show that Gen. Wanamaker is business all the way through.

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Among College Monthlies we note "The Fisk Herald;" "The Monitor;" "The Livingstone;" "The National Pilot;" "The Southern Workman;" "The Alumni Journal;" "Paul Quinn Monthly;" "Indiana School Journal;" "The Aurora;" "Tuskegee Student,, and "Wayland Journal."

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Emma C. Thursby, Clara Louise Kellogg, Madame Albani, Campanini and Maud Powell will each have an article, giving some vocal helps and musical hints to girls and women with musical aspiration, in the February number of The Ladies' Home Journal.

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As a sort of supplementary chapter to his "Looking Backward", Edward Bellamy has written an article for February issue of The Ladies' Home Journal, under the title of "Women in the Year 2000," in which the famous Nationalist will sketch woman, marriage, courtship. ect., as they will be regared in the year 2000.

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Sister Rose Gertrude, the young woman about whose work among the lepers of Molokai so much has been written, has been induced to reply to the charges made against her for renouncing her work. Her article, the first from her pen, is to be published in The Ladies Home Journal, for February, and will contain a full explanation of what she has accomplished among the lepers, and why she was obliged to forsake her work.

OPINIONS OF THE FREEMAN.

Princeton, N. J., Special to THE FREEMAN.

I have been taking your paper for about two months and consider it unsurpassable by any other paper published by our race. Yours Truly.

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C. E. M.

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I have taken your paper for some time and I think it to be the best paper published in the interest of our race.

Yours Truly.

Mrs. E. V.

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I have taken your paper for some time past and enjoy reading it very much.

Yours Truly.

Mrs. J.

A Cook Killed—Lodges—Death—Personals.

Atlanta, Ga., Special to THE FREEMAN.

Sunday morning, about 7 o'clock, Lewis Matthews, a cook, was killed almost instantly by a cut across his throat by Dock Lowe, the coffee maker, of the Kimball House. Lowe is said to have been a very bad character, while Matthews seems to have borne a good reputation. Lowe is still at large.

The public installation of St. James' Rising Son, Gate City and Plymouth Rock Lodges, was one of the grandest occasions every witnessed in our city. After the installation music was rendered by a select choir, consisting of Miss R. J. Henry, Miss W. P. Turner, G. W. Martin and Mr. Dugged. Short addresses were made by R. R. Wright, of Augusta, Ga., Bishop H. M. Turner, Bishop W. J. Gains and others.

Phillip Joseph was buried on last Sunday from Bethel A. M. E. Church, Rev. L. Thomas officiating. Mr. Joseph was a member of Bethel A. M. E. Church, and of "The Pride of Georgia Lodge," G. U. O. of O. F., No. 553.

Mrs. D. S. Thomas, of Cincinnati, Ohio, is in the city visiting relatives and friends.

CORN CRACKER.

A SONNET.

BY W. H. TYLER.

For THE FREEMAN.

THE little bird, now perched on a limb of a tree.
Though the frail branches 'neath it madly sway,
Still sings of its own loved minstrely
How o'er the winds among these branches play;

That little bird may speed o'er land and sea,
Though it hath wings to soar above earth's fray;
So thou, O soul, that stands tremblingly
On this high steep where night but touches day,

Where death but touches life—eternity,
Fear not, for thou hast wings to soar away
Beyond the storm that late oppressed thee
Into a realm of endless, cloudless day
Here on the border of that great to be.
Death touches life and the soul is free.

THEY MEET AND EAT.

Leading Afro-Americans Put Their Heads Together.

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It is not generally known outside of the State that Lexington is, so far as the Afro-Americans are concerned, the leading city of Kentucky. It has a more united, enterprising class of leading men, and a more thrifty, appreciative people, than any other city in the State; and as a consequence, our people here are making more progress in wealth-getting than any where else in the Commonwealth. As a result, able and brainy Afro-Americans of all honorable callings and professions flock here and stay. Such men are always made welcome by the Lexingtonians and the exhibition of their tact, talent and intellectual training in plying their callings, is highly appreciated. Among our leading men we have ministers of the gospel, doctors, lawyers, editors and school professors.

During the holidays Drs. John E. Hunter and P. D. Robinson, and Lawyer J. Alexander Chiles, dined a number of blue grass leaders in the private dining room of Mrs. Cheney Collins' popular boarding house, on Dewees street. Their object was to bring together a number of the representative leading men of the blue grass region, and after a good dinner have an informal discussion of the problems our people here are being constantly called upon to solve in a practical way. Among those present your correspondent noted Revs S. P. Young, S. J. Howard. Geo. M. Moore and Byron Gunner, of Alabama; Dr. J. H. Holmes, of Winchester, Ky.; Profs. P. H. Lewis, G. P. Russell, and D. R Wilkins, editor of the Kentucky Soldier. Each gentleman was called on and made an impromptu speech. S. P. Young said "what is true of the Afro-Americans in the South, is to a great extent, true of him all over this broad land of ours." Dr. Holmes responded by thanking God and his friend, Dr. Robinson, that he ever came to Kentucky. He thought it one of the best States in the Union. He had come here about two years ago a poor penniless ex-student, and without a word was received with open arms by the good people of Lexington. He thought that while the Negro had good grounds for complaint about his treatment, if he would lend more of his time in meeting the problems of a practical business life, and less in complaining, he would succeed. Rev. Gunner said he had often wondered how it was that Kentuckians were strangely superior in many important respects to people of other States. D. R. Wilkins was next called and responded by calling attention to the progress the colored people of the State had already made. Rev. S. J. Howard began by endorsing all that had been said. J. A Chiles gloried in being an adopted Kentuckian, and said he thought good morals, wealth and intelligence would lift any race. He thought one of the greatest needs of our people was self and race confidence. Prof. Russell thought he saw in the leaders present an epitome of the whole colored race. This was one of the happiest meetings ever held by our people.

Lexington has, besides two good doctors, a first class lawyer and several good business houses; a good strong real estate firm doing a large business under the name of Wilkins & Merchant.

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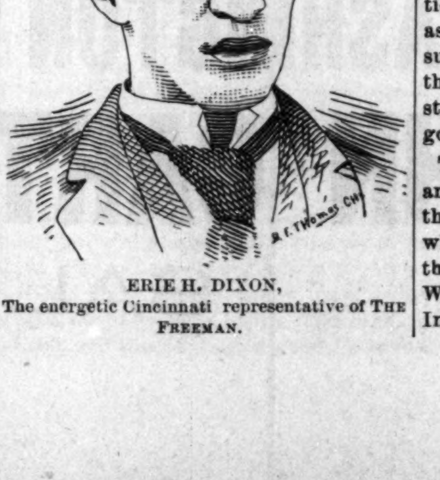

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Mr. Henderson is a graduate of Livingstone College. Mr. Scurlock is a graduate of the North Carolina State Normal School and a brother of Hon J. C. Scurlock. who ran for Congress in the Third District of North Carolina at the last election. Both gentlemen bear good characters and are more qualified for the positions they held than the ones who now fill them.

Very recently Robert Calloway, a clerk running between Hinton, W Va., and Cincinnati, Ohio, was expelled for no other reason than the color of his skin. This statement, which we have from his own lips, is certainly deplorable. This does not speak very well for the division over which General Superintendent James E. White recently held sway.

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ANSWERS
TO
CORRESPONDENTS

P. H. L., Carondelet, Mo.—Your question as to whether your work indicates reportorial ability, is answered in the affirmative. You need to work faithfully to improve your penmanship and study the art of paragraphing. Hard work will bring you out.

U. G. J., Elkton, Ky.—We do not know Mr. Henry Underwood; consequently cannot give his address. There was a Mr. Underwood barbering in this city, but we are told he has left. Perhaps some of our readers may know of his whereabouts.

J. H. B., Paul's Valley, I. T.—Such is a deplorable condition; the colored people will be compelled to unite and work for their own interest. Opposition, however, need not prevent their reading of Negro papers.

D. P. S., Culpeper, Va.—Your suggestions are quite good, and are highly appreciated. Our aim is to make such improvements in the line of which you speak as rapidly as possible. Yes, we know that there many able writers; not only this, but we are in constant communication with the educated of the race. Notice our article under the caption "Correspondent's, Attention."

G. A., Pittsburgh Pa.—This gentleman wishes the address of J. W. Sanders, of New Orleans. Will some reader send it to us at once?

C. W. M., Earlington, Ky.,—Grammarians have decided that "differ from you" is preferable to "differ with you." There is a rule given by Harvey that "from" should follow "dissent" and "differ."

W. G. H., San Carlos, A. T.—There is no way of determining your question. Our business men are not able, as yet, to compete in furnishing army supplies; and to be honest, we don't think we have any merchants whose standing would be sufficient to secure government contracts.

To our Indianapolis readers:—Arthur and Stella Dunn, of Chicago, wish the address of Alexander Williams, who was at one time a conductor on the Michigan Central R. R., in 1877. When last heard of he was living in Indianapolis.

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8 Sheldon Accommodation	6 15 pm

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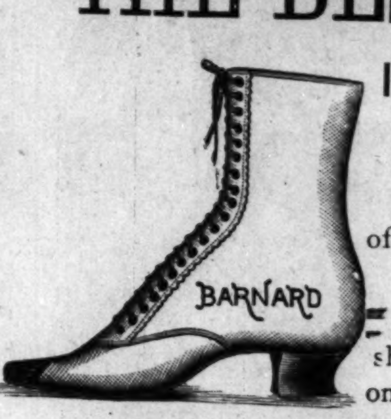

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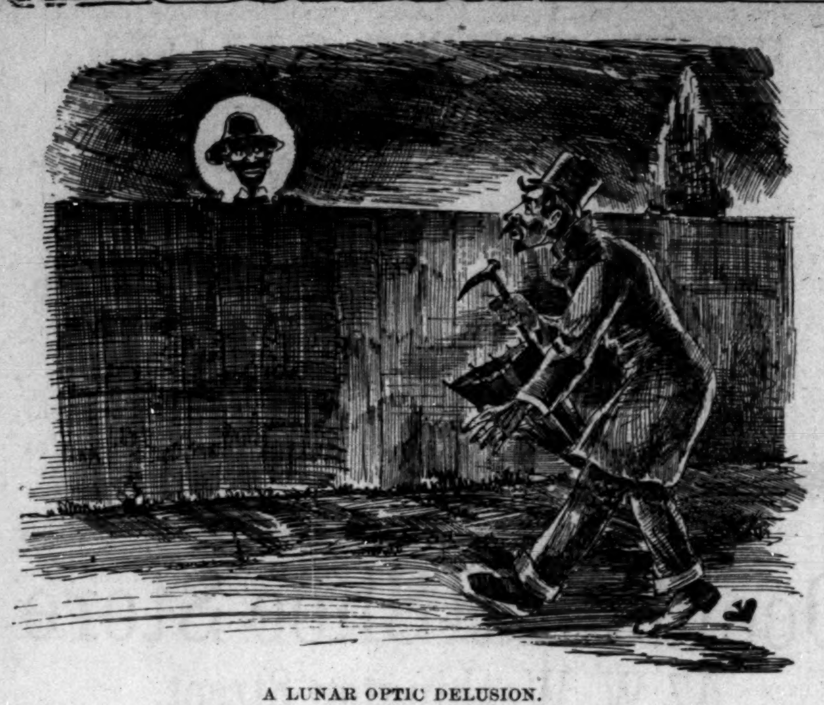

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Chicago, Ill., Special to THE FREEMAN.

In the last issue of the Appeal, Mr. Cooper is accused of doing some transaction with Mrs. J. H. Jenkins of 3248 Deabourn Street. This is untrue. I ran an add for Jenkins; got two orders, asked him to forward the articles; Jenkins did, C. O. D. I am responsible, not Mr. Cooper; consequently the C. O. D. goods would not be received. Mr. Jenkins claimed he never sold any goods through The Appeal and had two orders on the first add in THE FREEMAN. Parties wishing any of the articles in jewelery can get them at 155 S. State at big discount by mentioning this paper, also real estate or houses by calling on M. L. Osgood, 87 Washington Street, room 519 at very reduced rates.

Mrs Sam Snowden and old mother Maxfield are on the sick list.

The Childrens' Chorus every Sunday morning at Bethesda.

West Side can get THE FREEMAN every week at 915 and 733 Lake Street.

Mr. Allen Dorsey and Miss Ella Henderson were married last week.

Matt Washington and Jack Bell were taken to Springfield by Senator Geo. Bass.

Miss Mary Butler, of 103 LaSalle Avenue, is clerk in Smith & Co's. piano store.

Mrs. E. Snowden will remain with relatives and friends at Warrensburgh, Mo.

Remember the Ideals have changed to Central Hall, every Friday evening as usual.

Mrs. Alexander, the State street milliner, was called home to her sick mother's bed side.

Miss Gertie Wickliff is very ill, also the mother of G. W. Anderson. Miss a Booth is improving.

Mr. Green, of Detroit, entertained a few friends Wednesday; also Miss L. N. Jackson Friday.

J. A. S. H. Porter, Esq., was in St. Louis and Springfield, Ills., on political business this week.

The ladies of Prudence Crandall Club give lectures every Saturday afternoon at Grace Presbyterian Church.

The Conservator comes right to the front; its new Society, Lodge and Church Directory, with Rambler, caps the climax.

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Improving are H. Coleman, lunch department cook at Kinsley's, and J. H. Neal, who has been suffering from bone felon on right hand.

Full particulars of the Ladies' Columbian Society of each meeting and business will appear in this column hereafter. See next issue.

Cards are out announcing the nuptials of M. L. Benson and Miss Belle Miller, both formerly of Indianapolis. Mr. Benson is in the coal business.

Miss O. Byrd was tendered a reception at the residence of Mrs. F. Barber and Miss N. Brinson, Dearborn street. She returned to Cincinnati Saturday evening.

Subscribers, Council Bluffs, Ia: Whose subscriptions expire the 22nd, will be taken care of by agent J. A. Reed, 921 C. Ave. who will attend to it at once.

I propose in the near future to publish personal opinions of Chicago people regarding THE FREEEMAN. Critics and all, let us hear from you at once.

We are are coming:—A few months ago J. H. Madison accepted a position as porter with the Valentine Taylors, 66 Adams Street; to-day he is assistant salesman, Enfactotum and should be encouraged by our trade.

We are very much elated over the very large number who took advantage of the low rates of THE FREEMAN. If you wish your mentions, etc., in these columns address THE FREEMAN, 62 Whiting Street.

The above officers were duly installed Jan. 2. The assembly is incorporated and numbers abont two hundred members, and has only lost two members by death in five years. We expect a revival in labor circles this Spring.

J. E. Bish lectured on "the past, present and future of the Negro," last Saturday evening to the Cook County Colored League. He is writing a book under that title.

The Ninth Battalion Drum and Bugle Corps, has been disbanded by May Johnson for disobedience. They will have a Battalion Dress Parade and a presentation Monday evening at Freiberg's Hall, 22nd street, near State.

Olivet Baptist Church, on Thursday evening last, held memorial services for Prof. W. J. Simmons. The program was lengthy. Many who knew the late honored scholar, soldier and preacher made short and impressive addresses.

There is a very unpopular scheme on foot to establish a separate hospital for colored people. Of course colored people are the promptors. We need no separate institutions in Chicago. All fare alike at those already established regardless of color.

A number of prominent colored men on the South side have formed a Vierling Club for the purpose of securing the nomination of Alderman Vierling for Mayor of Chicago. He has placed several colored men on the fire department lately; Joe. Wickliffe being appointed last Saturday.

The newly furnished lunch counter of G. W. Williams, 43 East Polk street, assisted by his wife and Messrs. H. Hart and J. Hancock, is meeting with much success. They are well known; everything is first-class, neat and clean, as are found at H. Street's, 486 State, or Gaines & Gaines, 2107 State.

The manager of the Palace Royal Hotel received a very elegant type-written communication last week to confer with a gentleman regarding a charity ball there. A reply was received, and when the gentleman responded in person, and was seen to be colored, this ended the manager's further actions, with disgust to both parties.

Quinn Chapel doings: Rev. J. T. Jenifer preached Sunday evening a most instructive sermon from Issiah xiv-32. Every Wednesday evening prayer meeting at the parsonage. The Altar Circle is meeting with much success. The 1st Sunday in each month is set apart for cash rally day. Sunday, the 25th is quarterly meeting. Every member is expected to contribute 50 cents at least.

A benefit will be tendered Miss Fannie Hall at Olivett Baptist Church Thursday evening, the 22nd. She will leave for the east the 26th where she will visit New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington and many other points. Every Chicagoan knows little Fannie; she is one of the best elocutionist of her age and experience. Every congregation, society and club owes Fannie a great send-off for she was always ready and willing.

Whilst we are not independent of a single subscriber and wish to offend none, it was our painful duty to cut off some who, from past actions and promises, we could carry no longer. They can get the paper at the news dealers or have it renewed by paying up and cash future subscriptions. We are yet your friends if we can't afford to give you the paper on promises.

Monday evening was the regular monthly review and drill by the 9th Battalion. The officers and privates were out to the man and showed to their best advantage and marked improvement. Drill Master Liutenant G. W. Bristol was presented with a fifty dollar sword. A badge of honor was presented to H. B. Chamberlin, editor of the National Guardsman. The Garden City Band rendered choice selections for the occason.

This being the location of the great Columbian Fair, groups are seen discussing it in every detail. The race seems not to know just what steps to take. There is a move in some States to ask the State to make an appropriation for a separate exhibit with the State. The State alone, however, will get the credit of the exhibit, and thereby a racial exhibit will not be observed. It is evident that State appropriations will simply show what a State has done, and not a race or nationality.

This paper will be for sale at C. H. Moore's, 1702 Deaborn street. For the benefit of business people, houses and preachers, we will mail to any one for one months' subscription to THE FREEMAN, one copy of The Souvinor Business Director of Chicago just out by Mr. T. H. Jones, containing many hundred names and addresses of the race, churches, societies and general business of Chicago for 25 cents in one cent stamps; single copy of Directory, twenty cents in one cent stamps. Address THE FREEMAN, 72 Whiting street, Chicago.

Wm. Floyd Garrison, local Assembly No. 8286 elected the following officers Dec. 26th, 1890, for the ensuing semi-annual term: Master Workman, J. B. Hart, Mrs. Mary Watkins; Worthy Foreman, Wm. Horton; R. S., Mrs Susie Perter; F. S., Dr. J. B. Bubbins; W. T., H. J. Bowers; A., Mrs. M. Brent; Unknown Knight, Miss E. Pervins; W. J., Miss Vina Neran; S. E., J. W. Cobble; O. E. Wm. Bodner; Judge of the Court, Miss M. Miles; Judge Advocate, W. Mo., Lacy Clark, W. E. Turner, S. Miller, David Bell, Trustees.

TUDA.

THE QUEEN CITY.

Personals—Churches-Socials—New Buildings—9th Cavalry—Habeas Corpus Case.

Cincinnati, O., Special to THE FREEMAN.

A letter received from Sergeant Jas. M. Moore, of the 9th Cavalry, now engaged in fighting the hostile Indians, states that "the 9th is having a very lively time at present, and expects a big battle soon." The 9th Cavalry is composed of colored soldiers, is the same which recently rescued the 7th Cavalry, white, when surrounded by Indians, with fair show of being exterminated.

Miss Cora Turner, who has been seriously ill for some time, is rapidly improving.

Leroy Christie, of the Indianapolis World, spent a few days in the city last week.

Joseph Spurlock, an old citizen who has been ill for some time, is steadily improving.

Rev. Gazaway, of Allen Temple, has returned from a visit to his family, at Springfield.

Dr Ida Gray, after a very pleasant visit to to her sister at Paris, Ill., returned home, Monday.

John McLeod has been appointed custodian of the water works office, vice W. F. Anderson resighed.

The Prime Rose Dancing Class held its regular weekly meeting Monday evening, at the residence of Mrs. N. Alexander.

Mrs. Emma Jones, who spent several months in Chattanooga, Tenn., the guest of her son-in-law, Alfred Harris, has returned.

Mrs. Walter S. Thomas, of Washington, D. C., will visit this city during the month, the guest of Mrs. James Barnett, W. 9th street.

Since the cyclone of entertainments, festivals, luncheons, etc., the "bottom seems to have dropped out," and society news is very scarce.

The funeral of Yancy Clay, who died last Thursday of rheumatism, took place from Mound street Baptist Church, Sunday, Rev. Stewart officiating.

Lieut. E. B F. Johnson is organizing a company of infantry, and desires the address of young men desiring to join, whose ages are from 18 to 35 years. Address 535 W. 5th street.

The many friends of Rev. Clark, of Dayton, O., recently arrested at that place on a charge of murder, will be pleased to learn of his dismissal, not the slightest evidence being produced against him.

At a meeting of citizens and members at Mound street Church, resolutions were passed endorsing Hon. T. A. Sykes and his mission to establish an Agricultural and Reformatory Institute, at Nashville, Tenn.

Detective James Allen, already known as the "Black Pinkerton," is making a remarkable record. Scarcely a day passes that he is not credited with two or three arrests; and what is more, he manages to convict the parties arrested.

Armstead Early, for 9 years P. S. of Principia Lodge No. 416, G. U. O. of O. F., was reelected for the ensuing year at the last regular meeting. The lodge is making great preparation to present Mr. Early a testimonial at an early day.

The K of P. of this vicinity are making great preparations for a reception to be tendered Supreme Chancellor, E. A. Williams, who will arrive here on the 29th, inst., enroute from Washington, D. C., where he attended a meeting of the committee on endowment for the order.

Visitors to the court house this week have been treated to a rare treat, in the McGhee habeas corpus case for the custody of his child, who has been an inmate of the Orphan Asylum. Hon. Geo. A. Jackson is the attorney for McGhee, while Prof. Wm. Parham represents the Orphan Asylum.

The Trustees of the Colored Orphan Asylum have petitioned the public for donations toward erecting a new building to cost $18,000. They propose erecting the new structure in the Spring, as the present quarters are insufficient for the need of the inmates. Charitably inclined citizens are earnestly requested to donate to this worthy institute.

DEATH.

Personals—Society Melange.

Bloomington, Ind., Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Feena Withrow, widow of Thos. Withrow, who has not been able to walk for five years account of paralysis, has been taken to her son, whose home is in Mitchell.

Mr. Andrew Thomas, who has been sick for some time, is better.

This being the week of prayer, the three churches had union services.

Elder Clay, of the Second Baptist Church, is holding a rousing revival this week.

Rev. L. Ratcliff will begin his protracted meeting toward the last of this month.

Mrs. Linsley and daughter, of Kentucky, are visiting the family of John Campbell, on 7th St.

THE FREEMAN is fast becoming the most popular paper in Bloomington among perusers of literature.

The following persons are on the sick list: Prof. A. J. King, Harry Imes, Susan Logans, Annie Swan and Mrs. Burton.

The leading and popular physician, J. D. Maxwell, was buried here last Thursday. The cause of his death was cancer. M. C.

DOINGS OF THE OAK CITY PEOPLE.

Paragraphs and Notes.

Tuscaloosa, Ala., Special to THE FREEMAN.

There were sixty-five marriage licenses issued during the month of December; of this number thirty-nine were to white people and twenty-six to colored.

Mrs. Katy May is sick.

The M. I. B. Association gave a supper and cleared $24.

Subscribers, pay your bills at the store of the M. I. B.'s. Come all.

Rev. Ervin Thomas is succeeding as pastor of the new Baptist Church.

Dick Cardwill left last week for Montgomery, Ala., thence to Chicago.

The Sunday school at the A. M. E. Church is in a flourishing condition.

Wm. Thomas, who killed Jeremiah Willis and made his escape, has been captured.

Tuscaloosa is by no means "dry," notwithstanding the high license on saloons.

Parents should subscribe for their own race papers, and especially THE FREEMAN.

Dick Cardwill, son of Rev. R. C. Cardwill, was in the city last week on a visit to his folks.

Rev. M. Brown, the pastor of the Elizabeth Baptist Church, is trying to bring his flock together.

The president of the Good Samaritan Society proposes to go into some kind of business in the near future.

The "Steamer Lee" will plow its way between Mobile and this city, on the Black Warrior river, this season.

Mrs. M. Johnson and little ones have returned from Jefferson county, where they went to spend the holidays.

THE FREEMAN is a welcome visitor to many of Tuscaloosa's most influential citizens. They call it the "climax" of colored journals.

The M. I. B. Association succeeded in getting matters arranged and opened up their store promptly at the Obrien building, on Main St.

James Cardwill met with a painful accident last week; the blade of an ax fell upon his head while cutting wood, making a painful wound.

TUSCA.

News.

Carondelett, Mo., Special to THE FREEMAN.

Henry W. Sexton, who has an abcess on his left hand, had the doctor to take two bones out.——Several gentlemen are contemplating starting a grocery.——There are movements on foot to start a social club, composed of young people, married and single.——Henry Irving is well pleased with THE FREEMAN, as is every reader.——Chas. C. Smith passed through Carondelett enroute to his home at Valley Mines, Mo., to see his mother, who is in the last stage of consumption. Mr. Smith has been in St. Paul, Minn., for several years.——J. Elverson Bronson, traveling representative for THE FREEMAN, paid Carondelett a visit, last week. He is very pleasant, and talks to you as if he had been an old friend that you had not seen for years.——The Quinn Sunday school presented the Church with a fine solid walnut table, on the 11th, instant.——The name "Delaney School" has been painted on the old school that will never more be known as the No. 6 school.

Notes.

Earlington, Ky., Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Hattie Moore, of Hopkinsville, has closed her school and is now the guest of Mrs. Eliza McMary.—Rev. W. T. Silvey, of Providence, Ky., passed through the city en route to Hopkinsville.—The electric light question was put to a vote last Saturday in Madisonville, but the will of the people say no lights; the vote stood one majority against electric lights.—William Gibson made a trip to his home in Hopkinsville last week.—Mrs. Eateer Pool is handsomely situated in Louisville.—Hubert Garrett and John Harris were on the sick list last week.—We have two new enterprises in our town. They are a broom factory and grist mill.—Rev. W. A. Forman, the pastor of the A. M. E. Zion Church, was called to Chicago to assist Elder Washington in a protracted meeting—Since his arrival he has attracted so much attention every "hillbilly" and his cousin want to be an agent.

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